

Greetings and a happy Spring to you! At least we think it's going to be spring sometime soon. To tell you the truth, we in Middle Tennessee are thinking of seeing if we can't get the Ark recommissioned, just in case. It does surely rain around here.

We wish we were as reasonably sure about the genealogy we have gathered together from various sources. Seems like every question we get answered results in two more questions to be answered. Ever since the last Newsletter went out, we have been frantically trying to get the gears of some of the information we have to mesh and they almost will, but there are some decidedly rusty spots in the results! We could use up these pages with a list of people and organizations we have contacted in the past two months - people who have an evident passion for taking their own sweet time (tho it could be that we're too anxious) or else they don't know the answers or they tell us something we don't even want to know. We keep plugging though and eventually we'll come up with the answers - maybe!

The only really positive things we have discovered in the interim since January is that our Christopher, Sr. had a daughter about whom we did not know before. We have rounded up a whole sheaf of suppositions and assumptions though, and we propose to tell you about them and our reasons for believing them and hopefully, soon, we will have been able to prove them.

Christopher's new daughter we have proof of: Egle's Notes and Queries, Annual Vol. 1900, p. 90, lists the baptism of Mar. Margaretha Schlosser, daughter of Christoph(er) and Eva Schlosser on 3 November 1776, at the First Reformed Church, Lebanon, Pa. No sponsors are listed.

Since we know that the early Germans named their children for members of their family more often than not, there is a possibility that Christopher was the son of the following Peter Schlosser and his wife Maria Margaretha Weschenbach, and he named his daughter and first child for his mother.

That it was his first child is almost certain, since he would have been pretty

young to have had a child at that time - barely 19 when she was baptized. But since we have the Burwell Hylton Bible record of his birth and death dates, we can hardly doubt that this is fact. We do not know what happened to this child - whether she died young, or whether she married before Chris left Pa. or Md. or Frederick Co., Va.

The Peter Schlosser mentioned above and his wife Maria Margaretha Weschenbach, had the following children baptized in First REformed Church in Lancaster Co. Pa. Lebanon County was cut from Lancaster Co. in the early 1800s. We do not know the exact location of this church. These baptismal records are also found in the records of the Trinity Lutheran Church (Pa. Germ. Soc. Vol. IV, pg. 252, 253, & 256). This, we understand, happened frequently when a pastor would be serving two or more churches.

John Frederic Schlosser, son of Peter, bapt. 24 April 1737.

Anna Barbara Schlosser, dau. of Peter and Margaret, bapt. 22 Apr. 1739

Anna Christina Schlosser, dau of John Peter and Anna Margaret b: 12 Apr. 1742, bapt. 6 June 1742.

A Frederick Schlosser was in Frederick Co. Va. when Christopher went there in 1789 or so. Anna Christine Schlosser was sponsor for the child of Frederick Schlosser and Anna Collica at the St. Jacobs-Kimmerling Church in 1762 and Peter and Maria Margaret were sponsors for John Peter Gerst at the same church in 1772, so parents and children were in the Lebanon Twp. area at that time.

Now, also, in Egle's Notes AV 1898, giving the records of "The Hill Church," also known at the Quitpahilla church, the following children of Peter Schlosser were baptized. The Hill Church was in N. Annville Twp. 4 mi. NW of Lebanon. The wife's name wasn't mentioned in these records, either because it was not in the original, or Mr. Egle thought it unimportant.

Mary Barbara, b: 14 Jan. 1745, bapt. 3 Feb. 1745. Sponsors Peter Kucher & his wife. George Ernst, b: Aug. 8, 1746; bapt. Sept. 4 1746, sponsors George Steitz and Margaret Morr (Mohr). (cnnt'd)

Catharine Margaret, b: Jan. 10, 1748, bapt. Feb. 8, 1748. Sponsors George Steitz and wife Barbara, also Margaret Mor (Mohr). John, b: Sep. 10, 1754; bapt. Dec. 3, 1754, sponsors John & Catharine Uhler.

George Stietz, who is listed here as sponsor for George Ernst and Catharine Margaret, is credited with having laid out the town of Lebanon, around 1730. Peter Kucher sponsor for M. Barbara, was a resident of the area as early as the 1730s, and Balthasar Orth, who was the Captain of Christopher's Militia unit were also early residents of that area. So this would seem to go far toward proving the place of residence of Chris and his family.

Also, as can be plainly seen, these names are the same names as our Chris named his children: Peter, Margaret, George, Barbara, Catharine. John, above was born in 1754, and we know Chris had a brother John who was born in 1754 from John's Revolutionary Pension application: (Newsletter Vol. I, No. 1, pg. 3)

The genealogist said it was reasonable to imagine that this Peter Schlosser was Chris' father and the above were his brothers and sisters. Whether these two Peter Schlossers are the same, we don't know for sure, and whether these (either or one) is the Peter Schlosser who came to this country in 1732 aboard the DRAGON, we do not know for positively sure, but it is certainly possible. We don't worry too much about the fact that there were two daughters with the name Barbara, since this was done quite often, one called Mary and the other Anna. We are told that this was quite common custom, or the first could have died and a second child was called the same name.

We are presently trying to get the names of the churches in that area straightened out, if possible. All the churches seem to have had at least two and sometimes three names. St. Jacobs Reformed Church, which was also called "Kimmerlings Church" and "Quitopahilla Church" was changed from Quitopahilla to St. Jacobs in 1830. Before that it was called Kimmerling's because Mr. Kimmerling gave land for burial ground and a silver communion service. Quitopahilla was the name of a stream that meandered through the country side. One Herman Ekel presented a bag with handle and bell to

this church for use in taking up collections. "This contrivance consisted of an open-mouthed bag attached to a long handle and furnished with a small bell which rang with some persistency while the collector made his rounds, to the end that no worshiper could well evade the consciousness that his mite was earnestly applied for".

John Frederick, Barbara, Frederick, Anna Christina, Peter and wife, Catharine, Peter and Maria Margaret Schlosser were all sponsors for other people's children in St. Jacob's church between 1755 and 1779. After this date the Schlossers seem to disappear from the church records.

There is one thing for sure, they all lived right there around Lebanon Township and they were apparently the only ones who did - the only Schlossers.

I expect we can round up some more facts before next time, or find another genealogist. The one we had did not want to pursue the research into Lebanon Co. But, as the late Frank Clement, former Governor of Tennessee said, "How long-g-g, oh Lord, how long?", only he was talking about something else. Does anyone know what "Quitabelittle means in German (if it is a German word?)

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We do have one thing which apparently proves when Chris went to Frederick Co. Md. from Pennsylvania. The deed to his property, which follows:

Sperry to Slusher B&S	THIS INDENTURE made this thirty first day of January one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine Between Jacob Sperry and Elizabeth his wife of the County of Frederick & State of Virginia of the one part and Christopher Slusher late of the County of Washington and State of Maryland of the other part Witnesseth that the Said Jacob Sperry for and in consideration of the sum of Two hundred Pounds Current money of Virginia to him in hand paid by the said Christopher Slusher at or before the sealing and delivering of these Presents the Receipt Where of is hereby acknowledged and they the Said Jacob Sperry and Elizabeth his wife have granted bargained Sold aliened released and confirmed and by these Presents do grant bargain Sell alien release and Confirm unto the Said
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Christopher Slusher his heirs and assigns forever a Certain Parcel or tract of Land Situate lying and being in the Said County of Frederick and State of Virginia as by Survey thereof. BEGINNING AT A Corner to George Goodeconnce and John Sperry then with Goodeconnce's line S29 W219 poles to two white oaks & a walnut in the fork of a branch there S60 & fifty three poles to a pine and hiccory on the top of a hill then N64 E108 poles to three pines there S79 E83 poles to two white oak Corner to Danil M Carr's in the line of Isaac Hite and from thence with M. Carr's line N23 E fifty eight poles to three pines & a Spanish oak and a corner to William Ewing then with Ewings line N6 W133 poles to the Beginning Containing two hundred and thirteen acres which Said Tract is part of a larger tract Containing one thousand and Seventy one acres originally the property of Nicholas Sperry Serv. and Conveyed to Jacob Sperry by deed bearing date the first day of March one thousand Seven hundred and Eighty five and recorded in the County Court of Frederick reference thereunto Can be had Together with all houses barns meadows yards Pastures woods underwoods ways and watercourses and all the Estate thereon and hereby Conveyed with the appurtenances reversion reversions remainder and remainders whatsoever unto the Said Christopher Slusher his heirs and assigns forever To have and to hold the Said Two hundred and thirteen acres of Land to the only proper use and behoof of him the said Christopher Slusher his heirs Exr^s. admr^s. of assigns forever and they the Said Jacob Sperry and Elizabeth his wife for them selves their heirs and assigns do covenant and grant to and with the Said Christopher Slusher his heirs and assigns that they the Said Jacob Sperry and Elizabeth his wife is now lawfully Seized in their own right of a good Sure perfect and Indef--zable estate of Inheritance in fee Simple of all and Singular the Premises above mentioned and that they have full Power to Sell and Set over the Same according to the true intent and meaning of these Presents and also that the Said Christopher Slusher his heirs or assigns Shall and may at all times heretofore Peaceably and Privately have hold occupy possess and enjoy the Same with out hindrance trouble or molestation of the Said Jacob Sperry & Elizabeth his wife anything claiming or to Claim by from or under

him them or any of them and will make any other Conveyance that shall be reasonably demanded by the Said Christopher Slusher or his Council learned in the Law but at the cost and Charge of the Said Christopher Slusher or his heirs or assigns and lastly that the Said Christopher Slusher his heirs and assigns Shall be fully possessed of all the estate above mentioned against them the Said Jacob Sperry and Elizabeth his wife and their heirs and assigns forever Shall Warrant and forever defend by these Presents In Witness whereof the Said Jacob Sperry and Elizabeth his wife have hereunto Set their hands and Seals the day above written.

In Presence of
 John Sperry
 Solomon Hoge
 Nicho^s Sperry Ju^r

His
 Jacob (J) Sperry (LS)
 Mark
 Elizabeth (X) Sperry (LS)
 Mark

Received the day and year within mentioned Two hundred Pounds Current money of Virginia being the Consideration mentioned in this deed of Conveyance and forever acquit of the Same

Solomon Hoge
 John Sperry

for me His
 Jacob (J) Sperry
 Mark

At a Court held for Frederick County the 8th day of April 1789 This indenture and the receipt thereon endorsed were proved by the oaths of John Sperry and Solomon Hoge witnesses thereto and the Same were acknowledged by Elizabeth the wife of Jacob Sperry thereto she being first privily examined as the law directs.

And a Court held for the Said County the 4th day of October 1791 The Same were further proved by the oath of Nicholas Sperry another witness thereto and ordered to be recorded.

By the Court
 JaKeith CFC

And this also:

Received of Christopher Slusher by the hands of Isaac Hite Six dollars and thirty seven cents being the full amount of all tax and damages due upon a tract of land containing two hundred and thirteen acres returned delinquent in the name of the said Christopher Slusher for Tax due thereon for the years 1803 and 1804 including also the fee for recording this receipt Witness my hand the 19th day of July 1816.

Thomas Allen Treball DCC for
 JaKeith CFC

Note the deed says "Christopher Slusher ~~LATE~~ of Washington Co. Md." From all we can gather Chris and his family left Lebanon Co. around 1779 or 1780, because after this time, the Schlosser's disappeared from the church and tax records of the area. So Chris must have lived in Maryland around 10 years before he went to Floyd Co. Va. We know his son Peter was born in Maryland in 1784 (1850 Census of Floyd Co. Va.)

Note also, the name Goodykoontz (Goodeconnse) in the deed. This is very possibly the Goodykoontz family who also moved to Floyd County from Frederick Co. Md. perhaps about the same time Chris did. In fact, it would almost certainly have been. Margaret Goodykuntz, who d: in 1819 in Floyd Co. has carved on her tombstone, "widow of George Gutekunst, a Soldier of the Revolution (1732-1784) From Northampton Co., Pa., Born Heiterbach, Wurbemberg, Germany, Buried Frederick Co. Va." This grave is in the old cemetery of the Zion Lutheran Church in Floyd County, Va. and Christopher and his family were charter members of this church.

(See how nicely things work out)
Some things!

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Now here is some information about another of the distaff branches of the family, the Phlegars. The Phlegar family is much intermarried with the descendants of Christopher Slusher.

The line would run like this:

Hans George Frederick Pfliiger

b: d:

George Frederick Phlegar II

b: Aug. 1735 d: 1791

m: Anna Maria Margaretha Trout

George Phlegar

b: 1762 d: July 29, 1839

m: Maria Magdaleana Goodykoontz in 1788

Joseph Phlegar

b: 1794 d: 1875

m: Nancy Boone May 1, 1817

Four of Joseph's children m: grandchildren of Christopher:

Isaac m: Margaret Harmon, dau of Solomon and Elizabeth Slusher Harmon

John m: Mary Ann Harmon, dau of Solomon and Elizabeth Slusher Harmon

Margaret m: Ananias Slusher, son of David Slusher

Eliza m: Noah Simmons, son of Caty and Cary Simmons.

And: Nancy, dau. of Christopher, Jr. m: David Phlegar, son of George Phlegar (1762-1839)

There are probably others in the line who have intermarried with the Phlegars through the generations.

Hans George Frederick Pfliiger, with his wife and two or three children came over from the Palatinate on the ship Samuel in 1731 with thirty eight other Palatine families. They had left Germany because of religious persecution. One of his daughters probably died after they came to this country, since he named only three children, Jacob, Catharine and George Frederick 2nd in his will. His wife also survived him.

George Frederick 2nd had nine children: Jacob, John (George) Frederick, John, John Michael, Abraham, Henry, Christine (who d: young), another Marie Christine, and Marie Margaret. His wife was Anna Maria Margaretha Trout. (Note the number of Johns in this family.

Hans George Frederick and George Frederick II were quite well to do, judging from their wills. Marie Margaret, wife of George Frederick II lived until the summer of 1816 and died at the home of her son in York, Pa.

The above information is copied from a letter written by Eula Willis to her Aunt Anna, dated 4 Dec. 1916. Eula Willis, (Mrs. J. S. Carter) translated from the German the records of the Zion Lutheran Church, Floyd, Va. These were published in the Floyd Press on May 6, 1954 and several weeks before and/or afterward. Books 1, and 2 have birth dates, christening dates for many of the Phlegars. Geo. Frederick Pfliiger is listed as Deacon with 9 in his family.

The will of Frederick Pfliiger (George Frederick II) may be obtained by sending \$3.00 to the clerk of the court of York County, York, Pa. and asking for will as recorded in Book 4, pg. 197. It is a beautiful document.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN

I frederick Pflieger of York Township in the County of York and State of Pennsylvania, Farmer, being Sick and Weak in Body but Yet of sound disposing mind and Memory and Understanding, thanks be to God for the same do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in the following manner and form

I recommend my Soul to God who gave it me, and my Body to the dust from whence it was taken, And as to such Worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me with in this Life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form. First I order all my Just Debts and funeral Expenses to be paid as soon as conveniently can be after my decease I give and Bequeath unto my dearly beloved Wife Maria Margaret during her Natural life the Bed and Bedstead we use to lie in, and the choice of two other Beds for the use of my Children (the Choice of) one Cow, one spinning Wheel and Reel and the ten Plate Stove and Pipe, all the Linen & Yarn Linsey, and cloth now in my possession, the large Copper Kettle, One Iron Pot, a large and Small Pewter Bason, One large Pewter Plate, Six Small Pewter plates and Eight Pewter Spoons the Vinegar Cask with Vinegar, two pails and Churn, One Tea Kettle, One Coffee Pot, Six Cups & Saucers, One Coffeemill, One Tea Pot, Six Earthen Pots, three Chairs, the Kitchen dresser, One frying pan, One other pan, One Ladle & fork, All the wool now in my possession, Twenty five Bushels of wheat, ten Bushels of Rye, the half of all the Corn now in the field, five Bushels of Buckwheat, five Hogs, the Choice of all my Hogs, all the flax, Forty weight of Broken Hemp, and as much of the Cabbage dried Apples and Vegetables as she shall chose, the three and a half gallon Cask with Whiskey, the Small pair of Steel yards, three empty Barrels, and All the Leather for Shoes and a Book called "Where Christenthum", and the Remainder of my Books I order to be equally divided among my aforesaid wife and Children, I also order the Lindsey above bequeathed to be worked up into Clothes for my Small Children at the expense of my Estate. I give and Bequeath unto my Son John one half of the grain now in the field adjoining the Barn on this my now dwelling Plantation, I also give unto my Wife One Shovel, One hoe, One Spade and dung fork, and the remainder

of my personal Estate I order and direct my Executors hereinafter named to sell by way of Public Vendue at any convenient time after my decease, I direct and Impower my Executors hereafter named or the Survivor of them to sell my now dwelling Plantation either by Public or Private Sale as to them shall seem meet, to the best advantage, Situate in York Township aforesaid Adjoining the Lands of Simon Minig, Sebastian Wideman, Sebastian Irich and others containing about one Hundred and fifty acres of Land, and to Execute a Deed to the purchaser or Purchasers of the same in as full ample a manner to all Intents and Purposes as I could at this present time. And the money arising from the Sale of the said Plantation and Remainder of Personal Estate and of my notes Bonds and Book Accounts I give and Bequeath and order and direct the same to be applied as follows, to wit, After my Debts are paid I order my Executors to get and procure out of the same to and for the use of my said Wife, a new Walnut Chest with two Drawers, One New Wash tub, and One New Walnut Table which are to be approved off by my said Wife One and a half Bushels of Salt and as much Hay as will fodder one Cow for one Winter. I also order and direct my Executors hereafter named to get and procure out of the same for my Daughter Maria Margaret, One Good Milk Cow, one good Bed (which shall contain no less than eighteen pounds of Feathers) and a Bedstead, One New Walnut Table, One New Walnut Chest with two drawers, a Spinning Wheel, One Iron Kettle, One Iron Pot and two Ladles. I also order and direct my Executors hereafter named to get procure and purchase for my said loving wife out of the Aforesaid monies a Convenient House and Lot of Ground in or near the Borough of York To be used Occupied and possessed by her my said wife during her natural life. I also Order and direct my Executors hereafter named or the Survivor of them to put the sum of Two Hundred Pounds of the aforesaid monies to Interest which Intrust I give and Bequeath unto my said Wife during her Natural Life, And in Case the same should be insufficient to maintain my aforesaid wife and Small Children, and educate them, I allow my Executors to pay unto my said Wife so much of the principal as shall be necessary to Maintain and educate my aforesaid Wife & Children, but in Case my said Wife should again

Marry then the aforesaid Privilege shall cease, and I allow unto her the Interest of the said Two Hundred Pounds only, with the use of all the articles above named and the possession of said House. And the Remainder of the said monies (if any) I give and Bequeath unto my Eight Children, their Heirs and Assigns to be equally divided among them: Namely: Jacob, George, John, Abraham, Michael, Henry, Christina, intermarried with Michael Hess, and the said Maria Margaret, Share and Share alike. And after the decease of my aforesaid wife I order the Goods before to her Bequeathed if any shall be left to be sold by my Executors or the Survivor of them, and also the aforesaid House and Lot of Ground. And I empower them or the Survivor of them to Convey the same to the purchaser or purchasers in fee, and the Money Arising by the sale thereof, and the Remainder of the aforesaid monies so Bequeathed to the use of my aforesaid (if any shall be) and I give and Bequeath and Order the same to be Equally divided among all my aforesaid Children Share and Share alike, And in Case any or either of my afore named Children should die unmarried and without Issue then and in such Case it is my Will and I give and Bequeath the Share or Shares of him, her or them so dying to the Survivors of them to be equally divided among them share and Share alike. Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my Trusty Friends Martin Ebert and Peter Feisser the Elder (or the survivor of them) Executors of this my Last Will and Testament and also Guardians over the persons and Estate of my minor children. IN TESTIMONY whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this twenty eighth day of September A.D. One Thousand seven hundred and Eighty Nine. SIGNED, SEALED, PUBLISHED PRONOUNCED AND Declared by the said Frederick Pfliiger as and for his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us, the words "Yarn & Any" first wrote in the margin and the words "Small" & "Paid first" interlined, also the words "And also Guardians over the persons & Estate of my minor Children" first interlined

Simon Minig

Michael (X) Kurtz
Mark

John Doll, Jr.

s/ Frederick Pfliiger
(Seal)

The Will was probated in York Co. No date is on the copy of the Will that we have unless it was on the last line which didn't come out on the Zerox sheet.

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Way back in October of 1972, you were promised the names of the other children of Henry and Nancy Harter Slusher and we forgot it in January. Here they are:

STEPHEN - HENRY - HENRIETTA MARGARET

Henrietta Margaret Slusher, dau. of Henry Slusher was b: 2 Mar. 1862, Floyd Co. Va., d: 23 Dec. 1934, Montgomery Co. Va.; Married Joshua Thomas Knowles 4 Dec. 1879 in Floyd Co. He was b: 19 May 1856 in Patrick Co. Va. d: 26 May 1912, Montgomery Co. Children:

1. William Henry b: 27 Dec. 1880 d: 8 Dec. 1960, m: Lyona Margaret Ballenger 23 Dec. 1903. 2 children
2. Samuel Johnson b: 24 June 1882 d: 4 Oct. 1955; m: Venie Alice Keith 4 Oct. 29 Mar. 1906, 6 children.
3. Norman Elmer b: 24 Apr. 1884 d: 25 Nov. 1968; m: Nina Magdaline Keith 8 Jan. 1907. 3 boys.
4. Infant son b: & d: 23 Oct. 1886.
5. Arthur Thomas b: 25 May 1888, d: 1963 in Kansas; m: Mara Minerva Akers 20 Dec. 1908. 6 children.
6. Nancy Etta b: 14 Oct. 1891, m: (1) Walter Hurd 22 July 1910 (2) Oscar Jones. 1 dau.
7. Isham Browder b: 25 Feb. 1894 d: July 6, 1964; m: (1) Claudia Hurd 25 July 1910 (2) Gladys Crumpecker. 2 ch.
8. Maggie Catherine, b: 12 May 1896 m: Geo. Thomas Linkous, Jr. 2 sons (m: 9 Aug. 1916 Montgomery Co.)
9. Mellissa Ahava, b: 7 Feb. 1899, d: 19 Oct. 1942, m: William Tuck. 10 ch.
10. Lura Tannice b: 7 May 1904, m: Frank Brown Akers 24 Sept. 1924, Mont. Co. 3 Children.

STEPHEN - HENRY - EMMEZETTA SLUSHER

Emmezetta Slusher, dau. of Henry and Nancy Harter Slusher was b: 6 Feb. 1863 in Floyd Co. Va. d: 13 Feb. 1946. She married Thorbourn Webb, son of Henry Howell Webb and Susan Shelor Webb on 6 Feb. 1883. He was b: 11 Nov. 1861 d: 6 Feb. 1883.

Children:

1. Hattie Webb, b: 21 Jan. 1884, Floyd Co.
d: 4 May 1967; m: Ellis Shelor 28 Jan
1904, Floyd Co. Va. 9 children.
2. Minnie Oloetta b: 4 Jan. 1886, d: 16
May 1933, m: _____ 24 Aug. 1918
3 children.
3. Oscar Ames b: 20 Mar. 1888 d: Aug. 1966
m: Lyona Quesenberry 30 May 1907.
8 children.
4. Mattie Bell b: 24 Mar. 1890
m: Simon Hurd 10 Feb. 1909, No ch.
5. Luther Hayden b: 3 Mar. 1893, d: 14
Feb. 1932. m: Nancy Hancock. 4 ch.
6. Harman Edgar b: 24 June 1898, m: Ada
L. Pratt 24 Dec. 1917, Floyd, Va.
4 ch.

STEPHEN - HENRY - SAMUEL JOHNSON SLUSHER

Samuel Johnson Slusher was born 3 Apr.
1867 d: 2 Dec. 1954, m: Maggie Doll on
Feb. 3, 1894 in Kansas.

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DAVID - ANANIAS - LAFAYETTE SLUSHER

Dr. Lafayette Slusher, M.D. a prominent
citizen and physician of Willis, Floyd Co.
Va. departed this life at that place, on
August 24, 1920, age seventy-six years,
ten months and one day.

He was the oldest son of Ananias and Margaret Phlegar Slusher, who died many years ago. Dr. Slusher is survived by his last wife and the following children: Mrs. M. M. Seaver of Marion, Va., Mrs. Richard Witten of Pocahontas, Va., and Ananias Slusher of Norfolk, Va., children of his first marriage. Mrs. Archa Vaughan and Miss Clarissa Slusher of the last marriage; and by his youngest brother David Slusher, a former sheriff of Floyd Co.

Dr. Slusher had enjoyed an extensive acquaintance, and a large and successful practice, much of which was gratuitous, and was highly esteemed by all with whom he came in contact. He was an amiable, good natured and companionable associate, much given to hospitality, and greatly loved and esteemed by his patients.

He was a member of the Christian Baptist Church, and his life was consistent with his profession, an humble and devout follower of the Lord Jesus Christ. He was also an enthusiastic member of the ancient and honorable institution of "Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons," and was a constant attendant on the convocations of his Lodge, until failing health forbade him.

In youth and early life he industriously applied his mind to the attainment of useful knowledge, to the discharge of his respective duties to God, his neighbor and himself so in Old Age as an humble and devout Christian he enjoyed the happy reflection consequent upon a well spent life and died in the hope of a glorious immortality.

Requiescat in pace.

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What we need is a Floyd County Tombstone Committee and we need it badly! It's a shame we don't have the graves of our ancestors in the various cemeteries in Floyd County listed in our records. Spring is coming up and it's so beautiful in Floyd Co. Wouldn't some of the local Family Organization Members volunteer to get out this Spring and copy the information on the stones at least in the various small or private family cemeteries in the County? This is so important. Time and wind and weather destroy them. Please, someone volunteer. Does anyone know if the DAR or Colonial Dames or any other organization has done anything of this sort?

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In an article about The Hill Church, in N. Lebanon Twp, it says "In 1754 and thereafter, when the Indians made frequent incursions, people often took their guns with them to defend themselves against savages. During divine service men with loaded muskets were placed at the door as sentinels. This was the first organization for religious services in what is now Lebanon County, and was the first to erect church buildings."