

Miscellaneous Alexandria County Marriages and Certificates of Marriage, 1866-1867, and Couples Cohabiting Without Benefit of Marriage, December 1866

From Record Group 105, Records of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands
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Jesse Dixon and Kate Goins, married 1853 in Alexandria without ceremony. Given marriage certificate by Rev. M.V. Wright, Assistant Superintendent of Marriages for Freedmen's Bureau in Washington, D.C. June 1867. They then had two children and resided in Washington.

George Shelton and Susan Jasper, "Joined by permission of master" September 1, 1860 in Alexandria. Ceremony performed by Rev. Dr. Porter, Baptist. Given marriage certificate by Rev. R.H. Robinson of the Freedmen's Bureau November 1866. They then had three children and resided in Alexandria.

Robert Dent and Anna Willis, married 1863 in Alexandria. Given marriage certificate by Rev. M.V. Wright, Assistant Superintendent of Marriages for Freedmen's Bureau in Washington, D.C. November 1866. They then had one child and resided in the District of Columbia.

William James and Sarah Parker, married mid to late 1851 in Alexandria without ceremony. Given marriage certificate by Rev. M.V. Wright, Assistant Superintendent of Marriages for Freedmen's Bureau in Washington, D.C. January 1867. They then had five children and resided in the District of Columbia.

Henry Brown and Elizabeth Brown, married 1855 in Alexandria without ceremony. Given marriage certificate by Rev. M.V. Wright, Assistant Superintendent of Marriages for Freedmen's Bureau in Washington, D.C. April 1867. They then had one child and resided in the District of Columbia.

George Webb and Sarah Whaley, married 1827 in Alexandria without ceremony. Given marriage certificate by Rev. M.V. Wright, Assistant Superintendent of Marriages for Freedmen's Bureau in Washington, D.C. June 1867. They were then residing in the District of Columbia and had had two children, but none living at the time.

Joseph McAge of Elizabethtown, KY [Private, Co. E, 107th U.S. Colored Infantry] and Rachel Smith of Georgetown, DC, married at Fort Strong, Alexandria County, VA December 13, 1866 by Rev. J. Rawson Johnson.

Lendsley Jones of KY [107th U.S. Colored Infantry?] and Harriet Lee of Frederick, MD, married at Frederick, MD in 1864 by Tasker (colored). Rev. J. Rawson Johnson gave Jones a certificate of marriage at Fort Strong, Alexandria County, VA 12/13/1866. Lee had died in 1864 at Point of Rocks, MD, leaving two children, one age seven and one age five.

Dudley Braden [Private, Co. D, 107th U.S. Colored Infantry] of KY and Ellen Upsher of VA, married by license by Rev. J. Rawson Johnson at Camp Distribution, Alexandria County, VA November 20, 1866.

George Wakefield [Corporal, Co. E, 107th U.S. Colored Infantry] of Shelly Co., KY and Jane Thrall of Shelly Co., KY, married 1861 by Rev. Aaron Stratton, "colored" Baptist, of Bullett County, KY. Marriage renewed with certificate given by Rev. J. Rawson Johnson at Camp Distribution, Alexandria County, VA November 20, 1866. The couple then had two children by this marriage and three "by former cohabitating."

Sgt. John Brand of KY [Co. A, 107th U.S. Colored Infantry] and Mary E. Holliday of Baltimore, MD, married at Fort Morton, Alexandria County, VA October 15, 1866. Certificate given by Rev. J. Rawson Johnson at Camp Distribution, Alexandria County, VA November 22, 1866.

Wilson Froman [Private Co. A, 107th U.S. Colored Troops] of KY and Harriet Hill (widow) of NC. Marriage renewed at Fort Corcoran by Rev. J. Rawson Johnson May 26, 1866. Hill's satchel, containing her certificate, had been stolen on May 25, 1866 by a soldier of the 40th U.S. Infantry, so Rawson issued another the following day at Camp Distribution, Alexandria County, VA. Hill had a son, Henry Hill, twelve years old and missing, last seen by her at Morehead City, NC with Sanders Fondwell, her former master. New certificate from Rev. J. Rawson Johnson November 25, 1866.

Matthew Thompson [Private, Co. B, 107th U.S. Colored Infantry] of Nelson Co., KY and Harriet Neal of Tennington, MD married by "colored" man of 107th, Ormus [Yarmouth?] Carr, at Fort Reno, DC March 24, 1866 by license signed by R.J. Meigs of Washington, DC. "Carr had no legal authority: he had been in the habit of solemnizing marriages at the South. He is a preacher." Given marriage certificate by Rev. J. Rawson Johnson at Camp Distribution, Alexandria County, VA November 22, 1866.

Nelson Holliday [Private, Co. E, 107th U.S. Colored Infantry] of Henry County, KY and Amelia Stockton of KY, married first Sunday in August 1858 by Rev. Simpson Duty ("white") of the Methodist church at Fleming County, KY. Licensed 3/24/1866 and given marriage certificate by Rev. J. Rawson Johnson at Camp Distribution, Alexandria County, VA November 22, 1866. The couple then had three children (two girls).

Thomas Murray [Corporal, Co. A, 107th U.S. Colored Infantry] of Owensboro, Davis County, KY and Louisa Johnson of Owensboro, Davis County, KY, married in 1854 by Rev. Hopkins of the Presbyterian church there. Their marriage was renewed and certificate given by Rev. J. Rawson Johnson at Camp Distribution, Alexandria County, VA November 23, 1866.

Rev. R.S. Davis from "Freedmansville, Va." recorded in month ending November 28, 1866:
 Ellis Freeman and Eliza Belt of MD, five years together and married by a Catholic priest.
 John Randall and Francis Wilheight of VA, together eleven months, with three children (not his).
 Thomas Carter and Mary Lomax of VA, together five years, no marriage ceremony, two children.
 William Woodard and Hester Cramton, 15 years together and three children. Marriage ceremony by one of the former plantation servants.
 Dennis H. Meharney and Sophia Coleman of Virginia, together for 21 years and have five children. Married by a white man of their church.

Entry 3878, Subordinate Field Offices, Alexandria, Virginia, Miscellaneous Records, 1865-1868

Couples "living together without evidence of lawful marriage" as of December 4, 1866:

Jacob Thomas and Julia Thomas	Alexandria City
Kage White and Margaret Early	Alexandria City
John Chinn and Mary Chinn	Alexandria City
Thomas Strother and Fanny Strother	Alexandria City
Thornton Sheppard and Maria Sheppard	Alexandria City
Robert Falkner and Mary Falkner	Alexandria City
Henry Chivis and Hester Chivis	Alexandria City
Charles Jones and Kitty Jones	Alexandria City
Thomas Scott and Mary Scott	Alexandria City
Isaac Norris and Alice Boston	Alexandria City
Henry Malloy and Mary Malloy	Alexandria City
James Smith and Esther Smith	Alexandria City
Benjamin Buckner and Amanda Buckner	Alexandria City
Benjamin Blair and Ida Blair	Alexandria City
Levi Jackson and Ellen Jackson	Alexandria County
James Lockhart and Jane Lockhart	Alexandria County
William Winston and Frances Winston	Alexandria County

[Apparently a report of Major S.P. Lee]