

### CAPE GIRARDEAU EXPORTS 1874

Item	Amount	Price	Value
flour	120,000 bbls	\$ 6.00	\$720,000
lime	38,000 bbls	1.15	43,000
bacon	300,000 lbs	.07	21,000
lard	50,000 lbs	.07	3,500
hogs, dressed	150,000 lbs	.05	7,500

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# From the President

Dear Cape Girardeau County Genealogical Society Members,

Never give in--never, never, never, never, in nothing great or small, large or petty, never give in except to convictions of honour and good sense. Never yield to force; never yield to the apparently overwhelming might of the enemy.

----Winston Churchill

records also become available all the time—some online, and some by careful cataloging of archives brick walls, and occasionally we try a different tactic, or a different route, and find our answer. New Girardeau and Perry counties. I hope that all of you get some ideas or some inspiration to give your This quote from Winston Churchill might very well be about genealogy as well. All of us have our and county records. This issue contains an example from a family that settled early in Cape own problem families a try after reading this article.

always popular favorites. I think my wife summed it up well when she said after one of Dr. Nickell's It is my great pleasure to announce our newest honorary Life Member-Dr. Frank Nickell. Frank is presentations, "I think I could listen to him read the phone directory and it would be interesting!" retiring from his role as Professor of History at Southeast Missouri State University. Many local members know Frank from the many programs he has presented to us over the years. These are

publication of a number of local history books. A more recent project involved cooperation between Frank has also been a good friend to and cooperator with the Society in working with local records, the Society and the Center in purchase of the Cape Girardeau Weekly Argus, which now resides in announce this honor for one of our best local historians, and we look forward to working with Dr. pointing people to us when we are the appropriate sources of information, and encouraging many students to work with local records. He is a popular and patient teacher with students. Frank also the Southeast Missouri State University Archives in Kent Library. The Society is delighted to retires as the Director for the Center for Regional History at the University, and has overseen Nickell for years to come.

Finally, I wish all of you a happy and satisfying holiday season! May all your genealogical dreams come true!



Sincerely, Bull Sadleman



# Whatever Happened to David Rudiseale? by Bill Eddleman



### The Problem

My probable ancestor David Rudiseale (which is the way he spelled it) followed a common migration pattern of early Southeast Missouri settlers. He was born in Lincoln Co., North Carolina, a son of Henry Rudisill and grandson of the pioneer Michael Rudisill, who settled west of the Catawba River in the last 1750s. Much of what we knew about David's family 25 years ago was from the classic genealogy, Our Kin, by Laban Miles Hoffman. Hoffman's genealogy was based on interviews with many, many older family members, but covered a surprisingly large number of the early settlers in the area just west of the Catawba, first and second generation Germans immigrating from Pennsylvania and Maryland in the mid-1700s. The portions quoted below are written mostly from the standpoint of the descendants of Susannah, David's first wife and the daughter of John Hovis and Sarah Catherine Rhyne.

From: Hoffman, Laban M. 1915. Our Kin. [1976 reprint by Gaston County Historical Society. Gateway Press, Baltimore, Md.]

pp. 195-196

Susanna Rudisill's children: John M. Sallie Hagar, Solomon, single, killed by falling tree. Henry m. Minerva Hagar and Diana Rudisill, nee Wills, daughter of John Wills; Elizabeth; Mary Caroline, m. F. Cashion; Joseph d. young; Catharine, m. Wm. Eddleman and A. Wills; Ephraim, m. Miranda Martin and \_\_\_\_\_ Flemming; Anna, m. John Weber.

Jno. Rudisill's children: Wm.; Julia, d. single; and perhaps others

Henry Rudisill lived at Liberal, Mo., where I stopped over to see him but to my sorrow I was too late. They had buried him a few days previous to my arrival. He had no children by his first wife and by his second wife his children were: Jacob H., m. Priscilla J. Conrad; Julia A., d. at age 14 years; Lewis E., m. Minnie F. Conrad.

Catharine Eddleman-Wills' children: Mary, m. Henry Swier; Jno. H. d. single; Wm. H. m. Nursena Welker; all by  $1^{\rm st}$  husband; and by  $2^{\rm nd}$  husband: James Wills.

Ephraim Rudisill's children: 5 by Martin wife, Jno. H., d. single; and by Flemming wife, Wm. J.

Anna Weber's children: Mary A., m. E. Wynn; Sarah, m. Rufus Costner; Josephine, m. F. Cashion, Oklahoma City; Emma, m. \_\_\_ Fox; Sam'l. d. single; Amanda, m. Jno. Fleck; Evaline and Ellen.

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This family spells the name Rudisaile.

Additional information can be found in Lorena S. Eaker's classic book, German Speaking Peoples West of the Catawba River, 1750-1800: And some emigres' participation in the early settlement of Southeast Missouri. SKC Publications, Church Hill, Tenn. (1994).

John HOVIS, b. ca. 1764 NC, d. Dec. 1834, Lincoln Co., NC, m. before 1790 Sarah Catherine RHYNE, b. ca. 1765, d. Dec. 1830, Lincoln Co., NC, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Glatfelter RHYNE. [Susannah Hovis Rudisaele's parents]

Henry RUDISILL, b. 17 Feb. 1760, Lincoln Co., NC, d. 28 Aug 1834, Lincoln Co., NC, m. (1) 16 Jun 1788, Lincoln Co., NC Catherine Friday, b. 1768, d. 1799 aged 31 years, 20 months, Lincoln Co., NC, daughter of Nicholas and Mary Ramsour Rudisill Friday; m. (2) ca. 1800, Lincoln Co., NC Saloma Seitz, b. 1772, d. 1829, Lincoln Co., NC, daughter of Jacob SEITZ.

[Note that David Rudiseale is barely discussed in either book.]

David Rudiseale had two wives, and seemingly two separate sets of children. The children with his first wife Susannah Hovis are discussed above in Our Kin. However, I have found no document other than Our Kin which connects these children to David Rudiseale. The census information "fits," but no names are given in those early censuses.

His marriage to Susannah is documented by a Lincoln Co., NC marriage bond: David Rudiseale and Susannah Hoviss; marriage bond dated 20 Jun 1818, Lincoln Co., Bondsman Falintine Darr, Witness James T. Alexand[er]. (State of North Carolina. *An Index to Marriage Bonds Filed in the North Carolina State Archives*. Raleigh, NC, USA: North Carolina Division of Archives and History, 1977. Bond Number 75447.) Also, the documentation that the same family came to Cape Girardeau County is provided by the following:

Cape Girardeau County Court Book D. Page 192. March 22, 1831. Susanna RUDISEALE comes into open Court and acknowledges her power of attorney to David RUDISEALE, her husband, thereby authorizing the said David RUDISEALE to convey to Philip HOVIS and Solomon HOVIS of the County of Lincoln in the State of North Carolina all her part or portion of the land of John HOVIS, her father of the County and State aforesaid, said power of attorney bearing data March 21, 1831. Ordered that the same be certified under seal of this Court.

The second marriage of David Rudiseale to Lydia Sides (Seitz, Sitz, etc.) appears in Cape Girardeau Co. marriages, suggesting Susannah had died between March 22, 1831 and August 10, 1833:

D. Rudiceale and Lydia Sydes. 10 Aug 1833. Cape Girardeau Co., Mo. Marriage Book A, page 136

I had census information on David's family for Cape Girardeau County:

1830 Cape Girardeau County Federal Census

Rudicile, David 1 male under 5; 2 males 5-10; 1 male 10-15; 1 male 30-40 1 female 5-10; 1 female 10-15; 1 female 30-40

### 1840 Cape Girardeau County Federal Census, page 249; Byrd Twp

### Rudisel, David

2 males under 5; 1 male 5-10; 1 male 10-15; 2 males 15-20; 1 male 40-50

2 females 10-15; 3 females 15-20; 1 female 20-30; 1 female 30-40; 1 female 50-60

### 1850 Cape Girardeau County Federal Census, page 463; Household #1742

RUDISELL, David 50 M NC

Lydia 40 F NC
Daniel 16 M MO
Michael 14 M MO
Jacob 11 M MO
Xenisa 7 F MO
Hetta 5 F MO
Winfield 4/12 M MO

This was where I was with this branch of the family until a few years ago, when I resolved to try and find more. However, after 1850 I had nothing. The family just seemingly disappeared, although children from his first marriage appear in Perry Co., Missouri, beginning in the 1840s (including my gg-grandmother, Catherine (Rudiseale) Eddleman Wills. I checked census for all the surrounding counties, and had no luck. There was no probate or sign of David's death in Cape Girardeau Co., even though the presence of small children might suggest guardianship papers should be there if the family was there. So, what do you do when you are stuck? Try the collateral lines!

### The Solution

An examination of Sides probate records found a few in Cape Girardeau Co. None seemed to be connected until I looked at Jacob Sides, who died in 1855. Bingo! Jacob left a widow and no children, so his brothers and sisters were among his heirs, and Lydia Sides Rudiseale and David were listed as heirs! (Cape Girardeau County Probate Records, Jacob Seitz, Box 2, Bundle 0023). The following document is a petition to partition from Cape Girardeau County Circuit Court Records, 1859, David Rudiseale & Lydia; \_\_\_\_ Sides vs. Michael Sides, Brown, Sides, & Howard (Box 6, Bundle 39) is definitive:

David Rudiseal & Lydia Rudiceal his wife & Elizabeth Sides plaintiffs against} In the Circuit Court of Cape Girardeau County, State of Missouri Michael W. Sides, John Brown [&] Mary Brown his wife \_\_ Alexander Sides William Sides, \_\_ Simeon Howard & Eliza his wife, and the unknown heirs of John Sides, decd. and of Samuel Sides ded defts.

Plaintiffs state that one Jacob Sides departed this life in the County of Cape Girardeau State of Missouri seized of the following real estate lying & being in said County to wit Lot No. 6 NE fracl qr. Sect 3 T 31 North Range 11 East containing five & 12/110 acres, also the SE frcl ¼ of NE frcl qr. Of SE frcl qr. West fract half of SEast fracl qr fractl Sect 4 in said Township & Range containing seventy two & 80/100 acres also also a tract or parcel of land on Whitewater containing eighty acres bounded on the North by lands confirmed to Daniel Clingingsmith, on the West by lands of Samuel Patterson on the East by lands once belonging to Jno. B. Wheeler & on the south by lands belonging to Alexander Stroder & conveyed to said Jacob Sitz by deed from Peter Proffer & wife, recorded in Recorder office Book J. 469 & 470 that at his death, having died intestate he left no children, but left a widow Elizabeth Sides, and brothers and sisters, John Sides, Alexander Sides, Michael W. Sides, Mary Brown, William Sides Eliza Howard and Lydia Rudiceal and Samuel Sides—that John Sides is

dead leaving three children who are unknown to your petitioners, that Lydia is married to said plaintiff David Rudiceal, that Mary Brown late Mary Sides is married to the said John Brown, that Samuel Sides has departed this life, leaving heirs unknown to your petitioners and that Eliza Sides is married to the said Simeon Howard That of the real estate above described the said Elizabeth Sides widow is entitled to one half, the said Lydia Rudiceal to the one eighth of the one half—and the said Alexander Sides Michael W. Sides, Mary Brown, William Sides & Eliza Howard are each entitled to the one eighth of the one half, and the unknown heirs John Sides to the one eighth of the one half and the unknown heirs of Samuel Sides decd. to the one eighth of the one half of said described lands.— Your petitioner Elizabeth Sides widow of said Jacob Sides deceased & prays the Court to appoint Commissioners to assign the widow petitioner dower in said lands & that of the other half of said real estate not assigned to said Elizabeth Sides widow of said Jacob Sides, the said petitioners David Rudiceal & Lydia his wife, pray the Court to determine the rights of said Rudiceal and wife and the said defendants, and enter judgement of partition among them, according to their several rights so determined and adjudged by the Court; and appoint Commissioners to make partition of the residue of said real estate among said claimants, according to their respective rights so determined & adjudged by the Court, unless from the nature and amount of said property

To be divided & the number of owners thereto the same cannot be divided in kind without great prejudice to the owners, then that the Court will order a sale of the same without the intervention of Commissioners

Greer W Davis for plft.

David Rudiceal for and on behalf of said Petitioners in the above petition, being duly sworn on his oath states that the foregoing petition & the matters therein as stated he believes to be true—He further states, that he had no knowledge of the residence of the unknown heirs of John Sides deceased—Also Michael W. Sides, John Brown & Mary his wife, William Sides, the unknown heirs of Samuel Sides decd. and Simeon Howard and Eliza his wife are not residents of the State of Missouri

[cut off]
Sworn to and subscribed
The 31<sup>st</sup> March 1858
Hy. Sanford Clk

David Rudiseale

Furthermore, the following documents from the Circuit Court case file suggest two things: David and Lydia and family no longer lived in Cape Girardeau Co. (absent for the 1860 census, and Lydia was still alive by then), and David appears to have left the picture in about 1859. [David is not mentioned as the primary plaintiff in the petition in 1859—Lydia is.]

Received of E W Russell Sheriff of Cape Girardeau County Mo. the sum of Four 50/100 Dollars in full for my fees as comr. in the case of Lydia Rudiceal & et al. vs. Sides & et al. –this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of December 1859.

Jonathan X Kinder mark

Received of Elam W. Russell Sheriff of Cape Girardeau Co., Mo. the sum of Twenty eight dollars & 91 cts being my share in the nett proceeds of the sale of land sold by said Shff under an order of Cape Gir Ct. Ct. to make partition of the land of Jacob Seitz decd.

March 22d 1861 her

Lydia X Rudiceal

Witness: mark

Greer W. Davis Jacob Tobler

OK, so where were they? I just happened to mention this situation to my friend Dawn Detring, who at that time had a subscription to Ancestry (which I could not access until our Society bought one). She kindly checked some alternate spellings, and FOUND THEM! Lydia was on the 1860 census (without David) in Butler Co., Missouri!

1860 Federal Census, Butler Co., Missouri. Roll M653\_610, page 589

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101-105	Lida Rudicil	F W 42	Housewife	\$300 7	Tennessee
	Mike Rudicil	M W 21	Farmer	N	Miss[ouri]
	Jacob Rudicil	M W 18	"		"
	S Rudicil	F W 16	Housekeeping		"
	Hulda Rudicil	F W 13			"
	Winfield Rudicil	M W 6			"

So, this led me to Poplar Bluff, county seat of Butler Co., to look for probate and deeds, and I was not disappointed. The land he bought in Butler Co. is partly under the first westward arm of Lake Wappapello in the present day, as it turns out. (See description in the probate papers below.) I am quite perplexed as to why he would leave a rich bottom farm and cleared land in Cape Girardeau Co. to move to swampy bottom land and rocky hills in Butler Co.!

Furthermore, the move apparently took place in 1853. Deeper searching in Cape Girardeau Co. located the following deed and tax list information:

Cape Girardeau County Deed Book Q. Page 424. 18 August 1853. David Rudiseale and Lydia, his wife, to Christopher Columbus Green. For the sum of \$600, 116.65 acres, more or less, being Lot No. 11 of 6000 arpens confirmed to Bartholomew Cousin, between Jackson and Bollinger's Mill, now Daugherty's Mill, beginning at the SE corner of said lot. Conveyed to sd Rudisaele by Thomas Byrne, administrator of the estate of said Cousin, on 14 December 1832. Signed David Rudiseale, Lydia (x) Rudiseale (relinquished dower). Witness Jacob Tobler, Deputy Clerk. Recorded 18 August 1853.

### Cape Girardeau County Tax Lists

1853 Rudiseal, David; 115.50 acres in Survey 2196 in Twp 32, Rng 12, Sec 30; original claimant B. Cousin; 2 horses @\$40; 3 cows @\$15; \$0.71 tax

Not on subsequent lists

### **David Rudiseale Probate File Butler Co., Missouri Probate Files #1512 Selected Documents**

Estate of David Rudiseale Deceased Sale Bill & Inventory

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Filed April 19th /59

J. C. Blount Clk

J. P Corman DC

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### April 7<sup>th</sup> 1859

List of articles sold Prices of each & names of Purchasers at the Administrators Sale of the Estate of David Rudiseale Deceased of Black River Township Butler County Missouri James D. Dennis Public Administrator

1 Rifle Gun & accoutrements		Mich. Rudiseal	e	3.05
1 " do Note		Jno Hemby		2.80
1 Musket	paid	Phillip Conner		1.95
1 Lot Shoemakers Tools	-	Widow Rudis-	reserve	0.60
1 Hammer		do	do	0.20
1 Cutting Box	Note	Eph Rudiseale		0.75
1 Dry Hide	do	do		1.00
1 Broad Ax	do	do		3.00
1 Briar Scythe	Paid	Wm H Punch		0.50
1 crosscut saw	note	Eph Rudiseale		5.00
1 Field Cradle		Widow	reserve	0.80
1 Wagon	note	Jas Farmer		7.20
1 Pr Britching	do	do		1.30
1 sett Gear (wagon)	Paid	A W King		1.05
1 Double Tree & clevice	paid	Philip Conner		.40
1 cow (red)	note	Jas D Dennis		12.00
1 Brindle Heifer		Widow	reserve	5.10
1 Bull yearling	Paid	J P Darnell		3.85
1 Heifer do	note	Alf Risley		5.00
1 Bull yearling		Jno Hemby		1.30
1 Dry Hide		Eph Rudiseale		1.00
1 sorrel Horse		J D Dennis		90.00
1 Lot of Tobacco		John Hemby		2.35
1 axe	Paid	Jac. Hoffman		.35
1 Plowshare		Jas Farmer		.25
2 Hoes	Paid	Jas Williams		30
		John Hemby		158.10

State of Missouri M. J. A. Corman says that he was the clerk of the sale made by

}James D Dennis public administrator of the estate of David Rudiseale, County of Butler

deceased, and that the foregoing is a true account of said sale at the time therein specified.

M J A Corman

Subscribed and Sworn to before

Me, the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April AD 1859 Jacob C Blount Clk John P Corman DC

Inventory of the Estate of David Rudiseale deceased

1 Deed to a certain Tract of Land in Butler County in the State of Missouri, viz; NW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section No. (9) and SE ¼ of NE ¼ of Section No. 8 in Township (26) North of Range No. 7 East containing 80 acres

istices	iees on E	execution	VS	Joseph P. Gibson	\$0.60
44	"	"	"	B F Farmer	1.85
"	"	"	"	Martin Franklin	0.75
"	"	"	"	Peter Romine	2.50
"	"	"	"	B F Farmer	0.75
"	"	"	"	Peter Romine	0.75
"	"	"	"	Martin Franklin	0.75
			Tota	.1	\$7.75

Witness }John Hemby }M J A Corman

John D Dennis public administrator of the estate of David Rudiseale deceased, says that the foregoing is a full inventory and description of all the money, goods, chattels, and estate real and personal, books papers and evidences of debt, and of titles of the deceased, and all debts due, and to become due, so far as he can ascertain them, except the property reserved as the absolute property of the widow, and that he is not indebted, or bound in any contract to the deceased at the time of his death, except as state in said inventory

James D Dennis, public Administrator of the county of Butler

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April AD 1859

Jacob C Blount Clk

J. P. Corman DC

Widows Receipt

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Received Black River Township Butler County Missouri, April 7<sup>th</sup> 1859, of James D Dennis Public Administrator of the Estate of David Rudiseale Deceased the sum of one hundred and seventy six dollars and fifty five centers in property taken at the appraised value, and also nine dollars and seventy five centers in property purchased at the sale on the above date the whole amount being one hundred and eighty six dollars, and Thirty cents,

Witness Lidda (X) Rudiseale

J. S. Darnall mark

Jas. D. Dennis Admr [I, JAMES O. HULL, Publisher of the *BLOOMFIELD HERALD*, a weekly Newspaper published in the Town of Bloomfield, County of Stoddard, State of Missouri, do hereby certify that the annexed advertisement has been published in said newspaper] 3 [consecutive weeks, in numbers] 10, 11, 12 [commencing] December 22- 1859 [and ending] January 5 1860

[Printer's Fee, \$]2.00 [Received Payment,

State of Missouri, }
COUNTY OF STODDARD }SS.

Personally appeared before the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace,] Jas O Hull [who being duly sworn, on oath declares that the above statement of the manner and time of publishing the annexed advertisement, is true.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this] May 4<sup>th</sup> 60 James Eaker [Justice of the Peace.]

J. O. Hull

[NOTE: Notice indicates Letters of Administration were dated April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1859. The document is not in the probate file.]

State of Missouri }
County of Butler }ss.

In the county court of Butler County January Term AD 1860.

In the matter of the estate of David Rudiseale deceased.

James D. Dennis Public administrator of the estate of the said David Rudiseale deceased comes and prays the honorable, the County Court for Butler County to order a sale of the real estate of the said David Rudiseale deceased or so much thereof as may be sufficient to pay the debts of the said deceased, and states to the court that he has sold the personal estate of the deceased, as appears by sale Bill already filed and that the proceeds of said personal estate goods and, chattels, were not sufficient to pay the debts of the deceased, as will appear from the following

Sale Bill of the personal estate \$158.10

Amount of inventory \$\frac{5}{4}.95

Amount Total on hand \$\frac{5}{6}.05

Paid as expence of administration \$ 5.50 Widows Receipts for \$14.25 This amount deducted \$19.75

Leaves the sum of \$146.30

There are due by the deceased of

of claims allowed by the court as follows.

Phillip Cor	nor	note		
5 class of I	Dema	ınds		\$ 38.50
James Stanley, no	ote 5 <sup>t</sup>	h clas	SS	18.35
Thomas Punch				21.27
P. L. Varner				
Tax Receipt				3.19
To the widow				10.00
Jacob Hoffman ad	ccou	nt 2 c	lass	3.00
" "	"	5	"	1.89
John Hemby	"	5	"	12.73
•		\$ 10	8.91	
P. S. Varner note		5	"	\$ 119.52
Total amount				\$ 228.43

He has also a claim against the estate which is not yet proved upon or allowed by this court, an

account of \$ 22.00
And expenses of administration \$ 20.00
Total \$ 42.

That out of the amount of \$166.05 due to the deceased as before mentioned, he does not think there will be realized, more than \$140.00 or \$150.00 dollars, so there will not be funds sufficient in the hands of the administrator to pay the debts of the deceased, without selling the real estate inventoried as follows, or part of same at least, That is to say,

The north west quarter of the South west quarter of section Number nine, and the South East quarter of the North East quarter of Section number eight & in Township Twenty six north of Range seven East, containing eighty acres.

The piece of land above described is of good quality, and no doubt is valuable, and will sell readily at public sale and he recommends that the same be sold for the payment of the debts of the deceased, or so much of said real estate as may be sufficient for that purpose.

James D. Dennis Public Administrator of Butler County

Amount of unallowed accounts	\$ 42.00	
Amount of vouchers		228.43
Expence of admin. & Widow's Receipt	<u>19.75</u>	
Total amt of indebtedness		\$290.18
Take the assets of the Estate from this	166.05	
Leaves the estate in debt		\$124.13

The above is a true account of the condition of the estate, and made part of the foregoing petition.

James D Dennis

Public administrator of Butler County

Letters Estate David Rudisal Deced. J. S. Varner Administrator de bonis non Filed September 12, 1867 And Recorded same Date

Simmons R. Hamill Judge Probate

fees 1,00

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[LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION – Printed at the "Argus" Office, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

STATE OF MISSOURI, SS. {To All Persons to Whom These Presents County of Butler, } SS. {Shall Come----GREETING:

KNOW YE, That whereas] David Rudisal [late of the County of Butler, died intestate, as it is said, leaving, at the time of his death, property in this state which may be lost, destroyed or diminished in value, if speedy care be not taken of the same; to the end, therefore, that the said property may be collected, preserved and disposed of according to law---

We do hereby appoint] John S Varner administrator Debonus non [of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits, which were of the said] David Rudisal [at the time of his death with full power and authority to secure and dispose of] [blank] [said property according to law, and collect all moneys due said deceased, and in general, to do and perform all other acts and things which are or hereafter may be required of] him [by law.

WITNESS,] S. R. Hamill Judge [of our] Probate [Cout, with the seal thereof hereto affixed, at office in] Poplar Bluff [County and State aforesaid, this] 12<sup>th</sup> [day of] September [186]7. Judge of Probate [Court of Butler County, certify that the preceding Letters of Administration are truly recorded in my office, this] 12<sup>th</sup> [day of] September [186]7.

S. R. Hamill Judge Probate

### Inventory of the Estate of David Rudicile

		\$	cts
One Note on John Muley & Ephraim Rudicile }			
due April 7 <sup>th</sup> 1860	}	13	45
Interest due thereon		9	98 1/2
One Note on Ephraim Rudisile & John Muly	}		
due April 7 <sup>th</sup> 1860	}	10	75
Interest due thereon		8	01
One Note on James Farmer, Benjamin Farmer	}		
& James Ritch due April 7 <sup>th</sup> 1860	}	8	75
Interest due thereon		6	55
One Note Alfered Risley, Hiram Skaggs &	}		
Levi Macom due April 7 <sup>th</sup> 1860	}	5	00
Interest due thereon		3	70
Total amount of Inventory		66	19 1/2

	}	C S Henderson
Vitness:	}	Isaac B. Tubb

State of Missouri } J. S. Varner administrator debonus non of the Estate of

County of Butler } David Rudisal deceased Says that the foregoing is a full inventory and Discription of the money goods & chattels real and personal books and papers and evidence of Debts and of title of the deceased and of all debts due and to be come due before as he can ascertain there

except the property reserved as the absolute property of the widow and that he is not indebted or bound in any contract to the deceased at the

time of his death except as Stated in Said inventory Sworn to and Subscribed before me this September 19<sup>th</sup> 1867 John S. Varner Simmons R Hammill administrator Judge probate Debonus non \*\*\*\*\*\*\* **Inventory Estate David Rudisal** Filed September 19<sup>th</sup> 1867 S. R. Hamill Judge Probate Recorded Septem 19, 1867 in Book B Page 20 S. R Hamill Judge Probate

Finally, the family was apparently still living in the vicinity by 1870, possibly renting property and living off the labor of the youngest son, Winfield Rudicill:

### 1870 Federal Census, St. Francis Twp, Butler Co., Missouri, Roll M593\_763, page 52B

29-26	Rudicill, Liddie	F	W 50	Keeping Hot	use N. Carolina
	Hettie	F	W 22	At home	Missouri
	Winfield	M	W 20	Laborer	Missouri
	Mary	F	W 12	At home	Missouri

### The Story Continues.....

If you keep looking, there's always more to be found! I've learned even more about the life of David Rudiseale since I was able to trace it out to its end. I will report these in chronological order, starting in North Carolina. I did manage to narrow down the date of David and Susannah (Hovis) Rudiseale's move from North Carolina to Missouri using records from both states.

David Rudesale, 1 free pole. From *Lincoln County, North Carolina, Tax Records 1817-1840*, online database at http://www.ncgenweb.us/lincoln/taxrec.htm: accessed November 6, 2012, Capt. Brevard's District 1818, Bill Eddleman, transcriber; citing Lincoln County Tax Lists, Box Number CR.060.701.4, North Carolina State Archives.

Lincoln Co., NC Deed Book 29. Page 268. Jul. 17, 1819. Henry Rudiseal (Lincoln Co.) to David Rudiseal (same); for £150 sold 300 ac on head waters of Leepers Cr & on Lick Run; border: begins at Michael Buts deceased's corner white oak; granted (no date) to Henry Dellinger who sold to Martin Shults who sold to Martin Dellinger who sold to Nicholas Sram who sold to Henry Con and sold by heirs of Henry Con deceased to Michael Arnold. (signed) Henry Rudiseal; (witness) Eph A

Brevard & Philip Cline; wit. oath Jan. 1820 by Ephraim Brevard. [Pruitt, Dr. A. B. 2001. Abstracts of deeds, Lincoln Co., N. C., Books 28, 29 & 30. 223pp.]

Here we see David's father Henry deeding him land in eastern Lincoln Co. on Leeper's Creek, a year after his marriage. Subsequent surviving tax lists in Lincoln Co. show him assessed for these 300 acres.

David Rudasel, 1 white poll, 300 acres valued at \$430. From *Lincoln County, North Carolina, Tax Records 1817-1840*, online database at http://www.ncgenweb.us/lincoln/taxrec.htm: accessed November 6, 2012, Capt. Brevard's Company 1819, Kathy Gunter Sullivan, transcriber; citing Lincoln County Tax Lists, Box number CR. 060.701.4, North Carolina State Archives.

1820 Federal Census, Lincoln Co., NC; East of the South Fork of the Catawba; Page 362, NARA Roll M33\_83, Image 235. David Rudesail – 1 male under 10, 1 male 18-26; 1 female 16-26; 1 individual engaged in manufacturing; 1 male slave under 14

David Rudisale, 300 acres valued at \$450, 1 white poll. From *Lincoln County, North Carolina, Tax Records 1817-1840*, online database at http://www.ncgenweb.us/lincoln/taxrec.htm: accessed November 6, 2012, Capt. H. Flowers Tax District 1821, Kathy Gunter Sullivan, transcriber; citing Lincoln County Tax Lists, Box number CR. 060.701.4, North Carolina State Archives.

Lincoln Co., NC Deed Book 31. Page 43. Mar 17, 1824. David Rudisell (Lincoln Co.) to Henry Cauble (same); for \$924 sold 308 ac on head waters of Leepers Cr & on Lick Run; border: begins at Butt's corner white oak; granted (no date) to Henry Dellinger. (signed) David "Rudiseal"; (witness) Henry Cansler and D. Reinarhrdt; wit. Oath Apr. 1924 by Henry Cansler.

David sells the land deeded to him by his father. The following deeds are arranged in chronological order, and I am not 100% sure these deeds represent "my" David Rudiseale. The dates would bridge sale of the Leeper's Creek land and the move to Missouri. In addition, the individual signed "Rudisale" or "Rudiseal" in two of the deeds, similar to the spelling my ancestor used for his surname. David's Hovis brothers-in-law later are involved in land transactions on Hoyle's Creek, also suggesting he may have moved closer to his first wife's family. The sale of one male slave, owned by David in 1820, also "fits".]

Deed Book 32. Page 246. Dec. 13, 1824. David Smith (Lincoln Co.) to David Rudisill (same); for \$825 sold 79 ac on E bank of S fork of Catawba R; border: begins at Daniel Smith's corner water oak, joins a branch, Peter Smith, Cannon, & Hoyles Cr. (signed) David Smith; (witness) H Cansler & Moses Cloninger; wit. oath Oct 1827 by H Cansler.

Deed Book 32. Page 169. Jan. 1, 1827. David Rudisale [or Rudisell] (Lincoln Co.) to Michael Quickle (same); Rudisale owes Jacob Ramsour jr (of Lincoln Co.) \$188.65 due by note with Michael Quickle as security and John Hedrick witness; to secure payment & for \$1 sold 79 ac on E bank of S fork of Catawba R; border: begins at Daniel Smith's corner water oak, joins a field, branch, Peter Smith, Cannon, & Hoyles Cr; sale void if Rudisale pays note by Jul. 1, 1828; otherwise Quickle can advertise the property for 20 days, sell it, & use proceeds to pay note. (signed) David Rudisale; (witness) V McBee & B S Johnson; wit. Oath Apr. 1827 by B S Johnson.

Deed Book 32. Page 247. Aug 15, 1827. David Rudisill (Lincoln Co.) to Andrew Hoyl (same); for \$584 sold 79 ac on E bank of S fork of Catawba R; border: begins at Daniel Smith's corner water oak, joins a field, Peter Smith, & Cannon. (signed) David "Rudiseal"; (witness) Eli Hoyl [only one witness]; wit. oath Oct 1827 by Eli Hoyl.

Deed Book 32. Page 238. Oct. 12, 1827. David Rudisill to Joseph Bost; for \$450 sold a Negro boy Lewis warranted to be of "good quality under a fair character as a slave." (signed) David Rudisil; (witness) Maxwell Wilson[only one witness]; wit. oath Oct 1827 by Maxwell Wilson. If this is "my" David Rudiseale, he left North Carolina to come to Cape Girardeau Co. between October 1827 and mid-1828, when he appears on the following:

1828 Cape Girardeau Co., Mo. Tax List Rudiseale, David – 2 horses valued at \$600; 4 neat cattle valued at \$120; 1 white poll; total tax \$2.30.

As I was preparing for this article, I decided to just google "David Rudiseale" and see what happened. The only hit I got was a good one—an actual letter written by David, probably within a year of his arrival in Southeast Missouri! The following letter was sent by David Rudiseale to Rev. David Henkel in North Carolina, on September 20, 1829 (reprinted from Theological Quarterly, Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio, and Other States, "Early Lutheranism in Missouri," Vol. 3, pages 345-347).

### State of Missouri Cape Girardeau County.

Reverend sir I embrace this oppertunity of informing you that we are all well at present thanks be to God for his mercy. hoping that you enjoy the same blessing of God I also want to inform you that I am well satisfied with this country. it is verry fertile and I beleive is as healthy as North Carolina so that my utmost wishes are gratified except that there is no Lutheran preacher in this country nor no other but Methodists and Baptists and they cannot preach much but both try and are not able to support their rotten sistems deists are tolerable numerous in this country and the prevailing sects are not able to withstand their arguments of infideity so that they turn all Christianity into ridicule I have heard a Roman Catholic preach in this country which I think was the best sermon I have heard in this country Mr. Timon the Roman priest and Mr. Green a Baptist preacher in Jackson fell into an argument sometime since where the debated half hour at a time for five hours together in which Timon defeited Green on every subject they fell on

I have used all deligence to find out how many Lutherans there are in this country the best intelligence I have obtained was from Mr. Henry Sifford he informed me about a year ago that they had a petition drawn by Mr. Conrad directed to the Synod of Tennessee with three hundred siners but wheather that petition was forwarded to said Synod I know not nor wheather Mr. Conrad received an answer from there as he lives about fifty miles from me he does not visit us at all he has married a daughter of a Baptist preacher and I have been informed by some of his hearers that he is taking up with that doctrine so that but little assistance can be expected from him I have conversed with a goodly number of Lutherans and they all request me to write to you to know wheather any assistance could be obtained from the Synod or not now I request to use the utmost in your power to assist us as I am verry confident that much good may be done in this country by you as we are all scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd our children are not Baptised and our youth grown up without instruction so that we are in a deplorable situation

I want you to write to me and let me know what the prospect is if you cannot come yourself try to send us some other and remember that we ought to have a little assistance as well as others as there could be three or four congregations established at any time So may Almighty God pour out his blessing upon you to enable you to answer our request is the sincere prayer of your friend

September the 20<sup>th</sup> 1829

David Rudiseale.

David Henkel

A big event in the life of David Rudiseale was the major problem that he had getting clear title to his Cape Girardeau Co. land on Cane Creek west of Jackson. The following deeds tell the basic story, but there are two court cases involved in straightening out the whole mess, containing many pages of documents (Cape Girardeau Co. Circuit Court – Civil Cases: 1842 – David Rudiseale vs. Hiram L. Sloan, Land Title, Box 4, Folder 39; 1842 – Hiram Sloan vs. David Rudiseale, Debt, Box 10, Folder 2). I lack enough space to include them, but suffice it to say David Rudiseale must have been thoroughly disgusted with Hiram Sloan by the time this was all settled!

Deed Book I. Page 23. 14 Dec 1831. Thomas Byrne, admr with the will annexed of Bartholomew Cousins, decd, to David Rudiseale. For the sum of \$214.82, 115 1/2 acres, more or less, being Lot No. 11 of 6000 arpens confirmed to sd Cousins, between Jackson and Bollinger's Mill. Signed: Thomas Byrne, admr with the will annexed of Bartholomew Cousin, decd. Wit: P. R. Garrett, Benjamin Bacon (JP). Rec 9 Jan 1832.

Deed Book I. Page 98. 11 Jan 1833. David Rudiceale to Hiram L. Sloan. For the sum of \$120, 115 1/2 acres, more or less, being Lot No. 11, part of 6000 arpens confirmed to Bartholomew Cousin, decd, between Jackson and Bollinger's Mill, and being the same conveyed by Thomas Byrne, admr of B. Cousin, decd, to David Rudiceale. Signed: David Rudiceale. Wit: Benjamin Bacon (JP). Rec 11 Jan 1833. [This was apparently a mortgage deed.]

Deed Book N. Page 390, 30 Sep 1848. Hiram L. Sloan to David Rudisaele. On decree of Circuit Court in Chancery issued 25 Jun 1847, 115 1/2 acres, more or less, W of Jackson, being Lot No. 11 of 6000 arpens confirmed to Bartholomew Cousin. Issued in the case of David Rudisaele, complainant, vs. Hiram L. Sloan, defendant. Sd Rudisaele borrowed \$100 from sd Sloan on 11 Jan 1833, to be paid as \$120 at 6% interest from 16 Jan 1833, and secured by mortgage of his plantation on 16 Jan 1833. Being unable to secure the money, sd Rudisaele allowed sd Sloan to rent the greater part of the land in 1835 and 1836 as payment; and to which sd Rudisaele reserved the right of cultivation, for \$50, and which has continued ever since. In 1841, sd Sloan offered sd Rudisaele another lease, and fearing to lease the tract, sd Rudisaele raised \$184.93 and sought to pay sd Sloan with two witnesses present, but sd Sloan refused the money. Sd Sloan claimed to have purchased the tract from sd Rudisaele, leased it to him, and received \$25 in 1835 and 1000 bushels of damaged corn and the balance on the ground, and was called to his business when sd Rudisaele demanded a deed in Jackson in 1841. The Court ruled that the first transaction was a mortgage deed, the second was a bond from sd Sloan to sd Rudisaele, and sd Rudisaele is entitled to redemption of sd tract by 1 Jan 1846. The Court ordered that sd Rudisaele pay \$159.80 principal and interest to sd Sloan by 1 Jul 1847, which he paid in Court, with Albert H. Brevard appointed to receive the same for sd Sloan; whereupon the Court ordered this deed. Signed Hy. Sanford, Clk. Rec 2 Oct 1848.

So, in conclusion, never give up searching—you may find the answer to those old questions by using every source you can think of, checking the collateral lines and the neighbors, and using the increasing number of accessible records online. I did most of this the "old-fashioned way," but the crucial 1860 census was found online. I've also found clues on other lines on the internet. Beware, though, there are a lot of errors out there if you just trust online family trees. Anyway, I hope this has given you some ideas, and that you demolish one of your brick walls!

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