

# Finch Families of Dixie

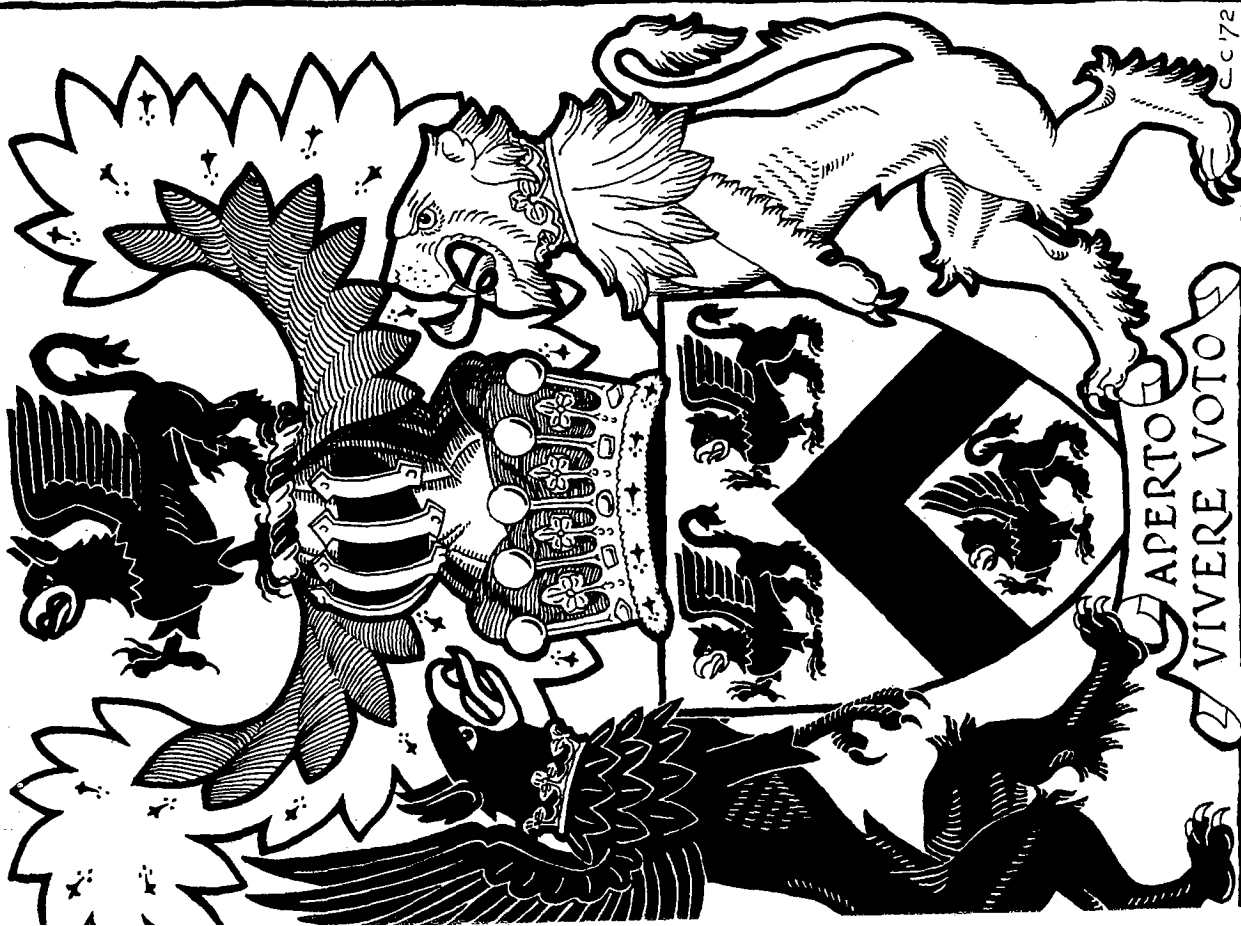
*300 Years in the South*

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ms belong to the Earls of Aylesford, the principal English branch of the family. In this form, they were not granted until after the earlier Finches came to Virginia. Sir Thomas Finch of Eastdale Place, Kent, probably bore a simpler version of them. If you know some Latin, the motto is a bit puzzling. *Aperto* isn't a verb; it's from *votum*, which means 'a vow' refers to the principles a person lives by. A good translation is: 'to live with no motive concealed.'

mas 2. Edward 3. Henry 4. William 5. Allen 6. Berry 7. John  
m 8. James Berry 9. Janie Indiana

TCHER, Frances m Wiley BAXTER

BAXTER, Wiley L.;;Henry Guy;;Susie

arah m Fred DESHOND

. DESHOND, Lauk;;Indy;;Alan

setta b 4Apr1877 m Daniel M. HIGHSMITH

HIGHSMITH, Otie;;Lester;;Jeanette

ancy Jane b 13Mar1879 d 28Sep52 m John HERNDON

seph Henderson b 11May1882 d 18Apr45 m 2Mar02 Isaac Aurelia  
b 28Jun1882 d 5Feb58

FINCH, Elbert Henderson b 6Mar03 m (1) 1Jan30 Pauline  
CHOLES m (2) Vera HANCOCK

Myrtice b 21July05 m 23Jan58 John T. BRUCE

James Herman b 28Sep07 d 25Dec67 m Iris WEST

Ettie Ward b 29Dec07 d 29Dec11

William Asbury b 1 Oct12 d 24Jun51 m Bella Mae TAYLOR

10. FINCH, Rotha Ellis;;Ruby;;Betty

Ralston Kenneth b 9 Oct14 d 27Dec54

Alton Byron b 30July17 m Margaret

ella b 27Mar1887 m 26July06 Royal Whittier GODWIN

itina b 6July1892 m Rix GARBETT

. GARBETT, Virginia;;Lucille;;Nettie;;Albert;;Roscoe

FINCH, Claiborne first appears on record on the 26th of Jan-  
y 1790 when he married Sarah HUNT. At that time a "bond" was  
ired and Claiborne himself gave the five hundred dollar bond,  
John FINCH was a witness. Despite this it seems more likely  
t William who had died in the few years preceding was  
iborne's father. My reasoning on this is that William's bap-  
ed sons, Isham and Allen, lived nearby where Claiborne set-  
d, and the names used by these three families were very sim-  
r. Before his death in the 1840's Claiborne had accumulated

1. Thomas 2. Edward 3. Henry 4. William 5. Claiborne

1,475 acres of land, and it is from the division of this property  
that we are certain of the names of his children. Only one is  
assumed and the reason he was not involved in the division is that  
he died unmarried before his father. (See Hunt Family Bible re-  
records on p.201)

6. FINCH, John T. b 1798 d 19Dec1817, bur. in Freeman Finch  
Cemetery near Fitzpatrick, GA

6. Freeman b ca 1791 d pr 1849 when the above estate was settled.  
From the Revolutionary War Pension file of Lazarus SOLOMAN, it  
seems that he married Delilah, daughter of Lazarus and Elizabeth  
(BEDFORD?) SOLOMAN. Freeman and Delilah are almost certainly  
buried in unmarked graves in the family cemetery.

7. FINCH, William C. b Apr1822 d 17Feb1857 m (1) Louisa who  
died 19 Oct1848. Their only child died at eight months of age.  
He may have m (2) Sarah; she m (2) ca 1858 SOLOMAN

8. FINCH, W. F. d 2Sep1855, aged three years

8. Willie D. dau. living with mother, Sarah SOLOMAN in 1860

7. Freeman, Jr. b Feb1828 d 2Jan1848, buried in family cemetery

7. Floyd b 1830 m Mary Ann b 12Sep1829 d 22Dec1897

8. (NP) FINCH, William Freeman b 3July1862 d 27Sep10 m (NP)  
Mary Augusta

7. Daughters, several; one apparently m a LAND

8. LAND, Henry b ca 1846, living with grandmother, Delilah  
in 1860

6. FINCH, Frances m Robert, son of Andrew JOHNSON who was a prom-  
inent planter in Nash Co and a member of the Missionary Baptist  
Church.

7. JOHNSON, Samuel;;Caswell;;Thomas;;Williamson;;Martha;;  
Robert;;Andrew;;Simon P;;William W;;Frances

7. Clayburn F. b 23May1836 in Iredell Co, NC m 1Jan1862 in MS  
Sarah A. b 1837 in NC, dau of Needham and Frances (BASS)  
JACKSON. Clayburn served in the Civil War from MS. In 1882  
he was ordained as a minister in the Free Will Baptist Church  
and was State Organizer in that church in MS. (Information  
from Goodspeed's Mississippi Memoirs)

8. JOHNSON, Bunyan W;;Sidney O;;Clayburn M.

8. Mary E. m I.H.KINERD

9. KINERD, Anna;;Spurgeon

6. FINCH, Polly b on the home place (two miles Northwest of Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church) married James MORGAN there, and there they lived and died, having drawn it in the distribution by lot of her father's land after his death. There are no markers in the old cemetery. After the MORGANS' death the place was sold out of the family, first known as the Marshburn place, then the Bottoms place.

7. MORGAN, Elijah b ca 1811 d 11 Oct1896 m (1) Penelope, wid of Pilgrim WILLIAMS

8. MORGAN, John T.

Penelope died and he m (2) Delilah TAYLOR

8. Abijah H. d intestate about 1856 m Emma STRICKLAND

9. MORGAN, James Henderson;;William Rennard;;Jesse;; Sandford

9. Nancy;;Polly;;Piety m Malachai BRANTLEY

7. Ahijah was a crusty old bachelor who was constantly causing his neighbors trouble and then boasting about it. Bramuel FINCH was one of these neighbors and he took the teasing quietly, but one day Francis, brother of Bramuel, was carving an ax handle while some teasing was going on, and he used the ax handle to part Ahijah's hair.

6. FINCH, Nicey b 25Nov1805 d 29July1857 m 8Mar1825 Marmaduke RICKS b 1800 d 13Nov1890

7. RICKS, Drew died in the Civil War m Caroline STRICKLAND

8. RICKS, Maggie

7. Ruffin d in Civil War;;Sarah b 3Apr1827 d 28Mar1861

7. Lahara b 4Apr1838 d 15Apr20;;Marcella b 24 Oct1826 d 10Nov 04;;Malissie b 4Jun1848 d 7Jun10

7. Harriet & Caroline, one m BUREN & one m BAINES

7. Garland D. b 16Dec1844 d 6Aug13 m Sue b 10Jan1848 d 19May13 dau of John B. & Sally (ATKINSON) RICE

8. RICKS, Nannie b 7Sep1872 d 26Mar10 m Will DEW

8. Robert A. b 3 Oct 1873 d 4 Oct43 m Daisy STRICKLAND b 1899 d 12Apr72. (Daisy m Charles J. WALL after Robert's death).

9. RICKS, Gladys Estelle m A. J. SUTTER;;Robert Gray m COUNCIL; Sarah m PARKER

8. Sadie b 30Dec1875 m Benjamin Elvis MORGAN

9. MORGAN, Edward m Sallie MORRIS

10. MORGAN, Benjamin Edward, M.D. m Jean BAILEY

11. MORGAN, Steve;;Jane;;Kathryn;;Anne

10. Richard Leo m Mary WALLACE

11. MORGAN, Billy;;Patricia

9. Garland m Lena WALLER 10. MORGAN, Mary Lena;;David Simm

9. Julia m John L. MATTHEWS

9. Ruth m William G. WORTHINGTON

10. WORTHINGTON, Patsey;;William;;Sadie Sue m MILLER

8. Cornelia b 27Sep1878 d 23Apr69 m Nov1906 Justus Gilbert DAN. b Greene Co NC d Wilson Co NC

9. DANIEL, Rachel m Hugh BASS, M.D.

9. Justus G. Jr. m Mabel DAY of Raleigh, NC

10. DANIEL, Cornelia m Thornwell Gilmer GUTHERY

11. GUTHERY, T.G. Jr;;Stuart (dau);;Elizabeth;;Ashley

10. Elmer Ricks m Sledge RICKS

11. DANIEL, Peggy m Tom LOONEY;;Benjamin Gilbert m 30 July71 Frankie Fay EVERETT

8. RICKS, Nicie b 30Aug1882 d 10Aug41 m Jerry Vance MORGAN b 2 Apr1882 d 12Jan43

9. MORGAN, James Vance m Minnie Belle, dau of George Ransom FINCH. J. V. MORGAN died at the age of 50.

10. MORGAN, Martha;;Emily m William Uzzle LEE 19Dec70

9. Edith m C.S. WILLIAMS. Edith died at the age of 43.