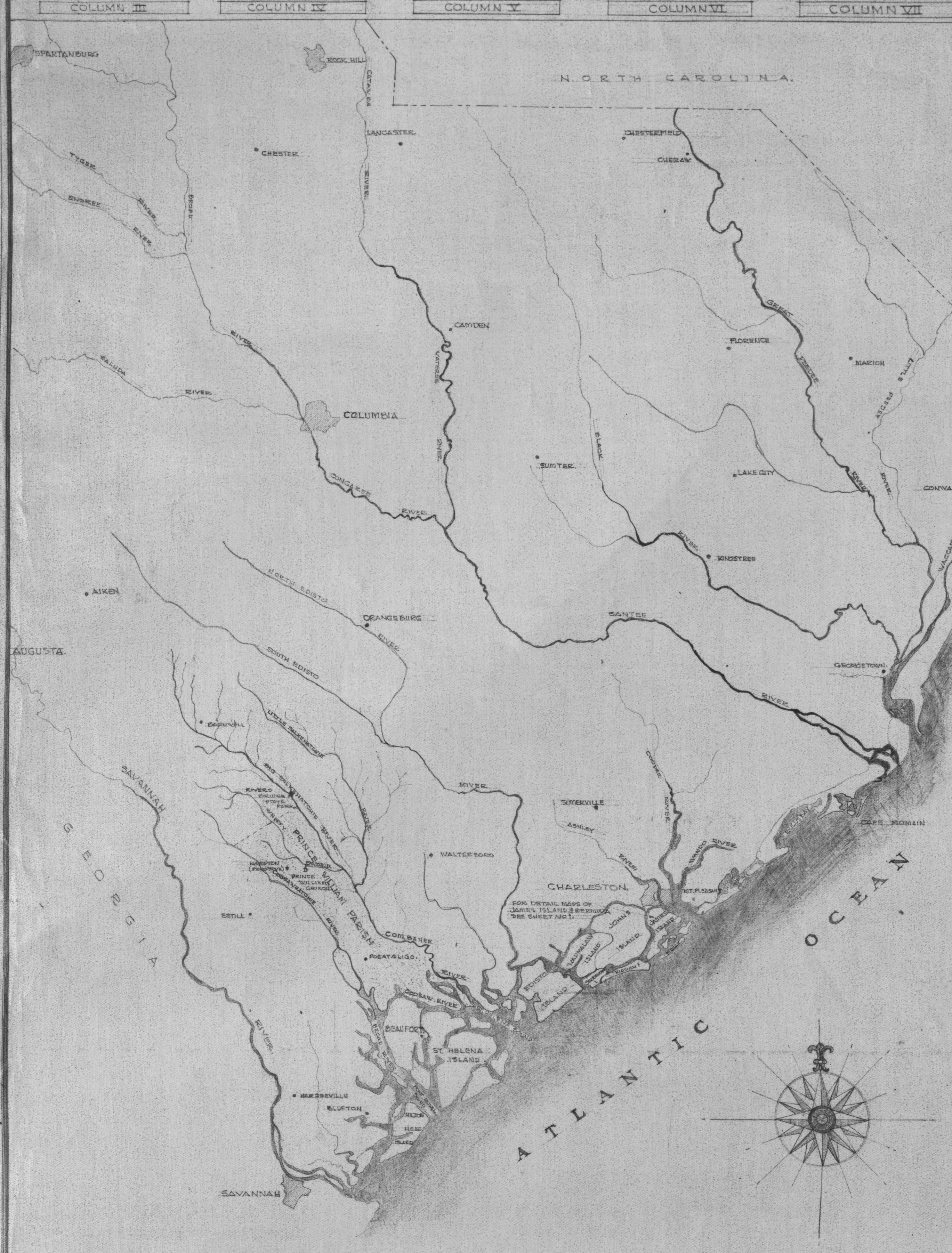

A MAP OF A PART OF SOUTH CAROLINA

SCALE OF MILES

AN ADDITION TO
A GENEALOGICAL CHART OF A PORTION OF
THE RIVERS FAMILY

PRINCIPALLY THE DESCENDANTS OF GEORGE RIVERS Fourth son of GEORGE Sr., who left James Island in 1749 and never returned.
SHEET NO. 4 COVERS DESCENDANTS OF A SON, DAVID.
SHEET NO. 5 COVERS DESCENDANTS OF A DAUGHTER, CHRISTINA AND A SON, JACOB. Both sheets dated 1970
Sheets 1 & 2 Prepared in 1967 – Sheet 3 Prepared in 1969.

SHEET NO. 4 1970

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

It is quite possible that these two sheets nos 4 & 5 would never have been completed had it not been for the untiring efforts of LEON MADISON RIVERS, 1896-1967, to whom this chart is dedicated. He for most of his adult life collected data about the family. His widow HILDEGARDE most generously furnished the information for the preparation of this chart from her husband's records.

In 1749 GEORGE the 4th son of GEORGE Sr. left James Island and settled in Pondtown, S.C. later named Hampton. Here he and his wife MARY raised a family of 5 children. Who since that time 221 years have had many descendants a number of whom are shown on sheets 4 and 5

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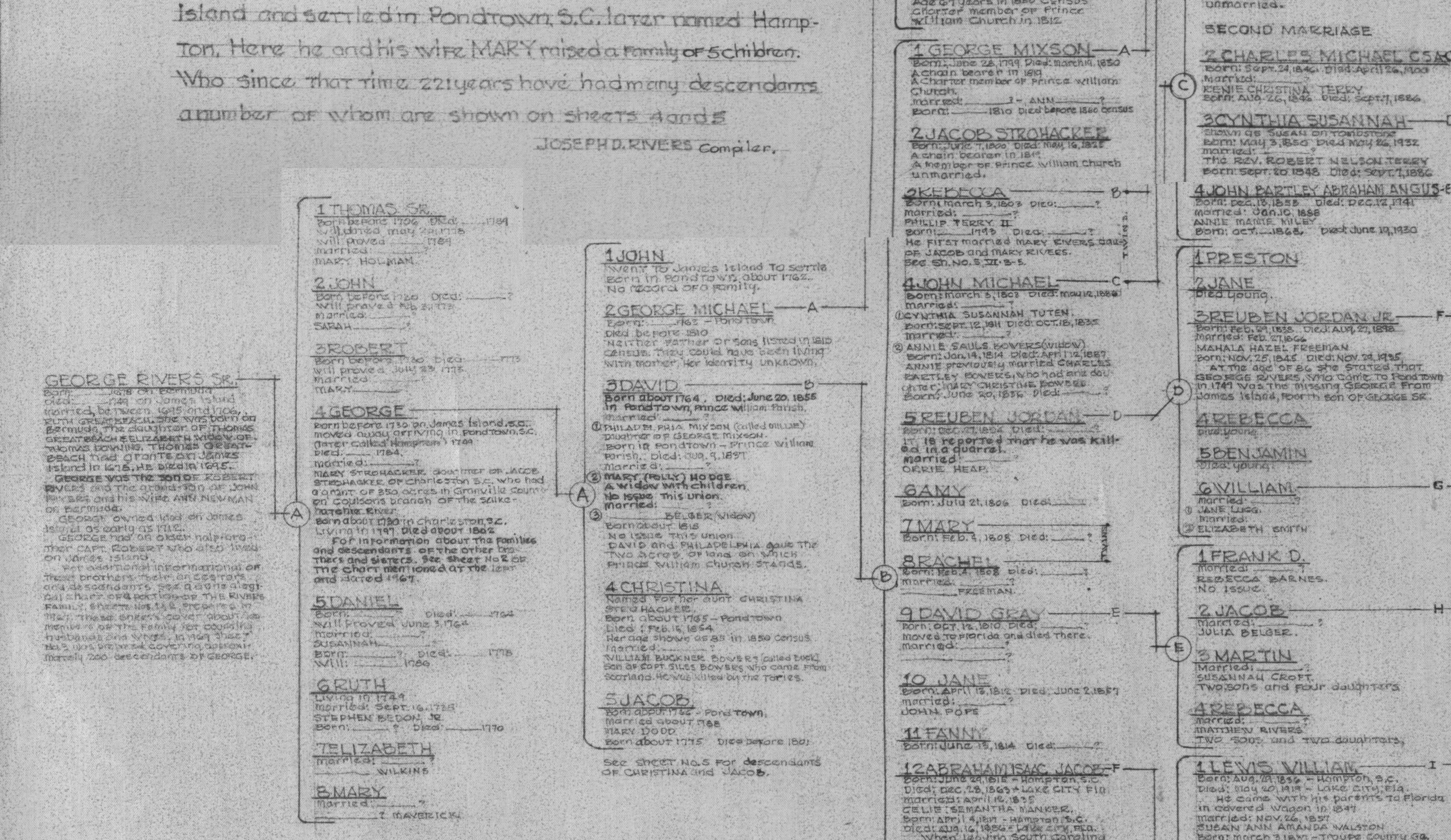


THESE THREE COLUMNS ARE REPEATED ON SHEETS NOS. 4 & 5
RIVERS CHART SHEET No 4 OF 5 DESCENDANTS OF DAVID RIVERS.
RIVERS CHART SHEET NO 5 OF 5 DESCENDANTS OF CHRISTINA AND JACOB RIVERS.

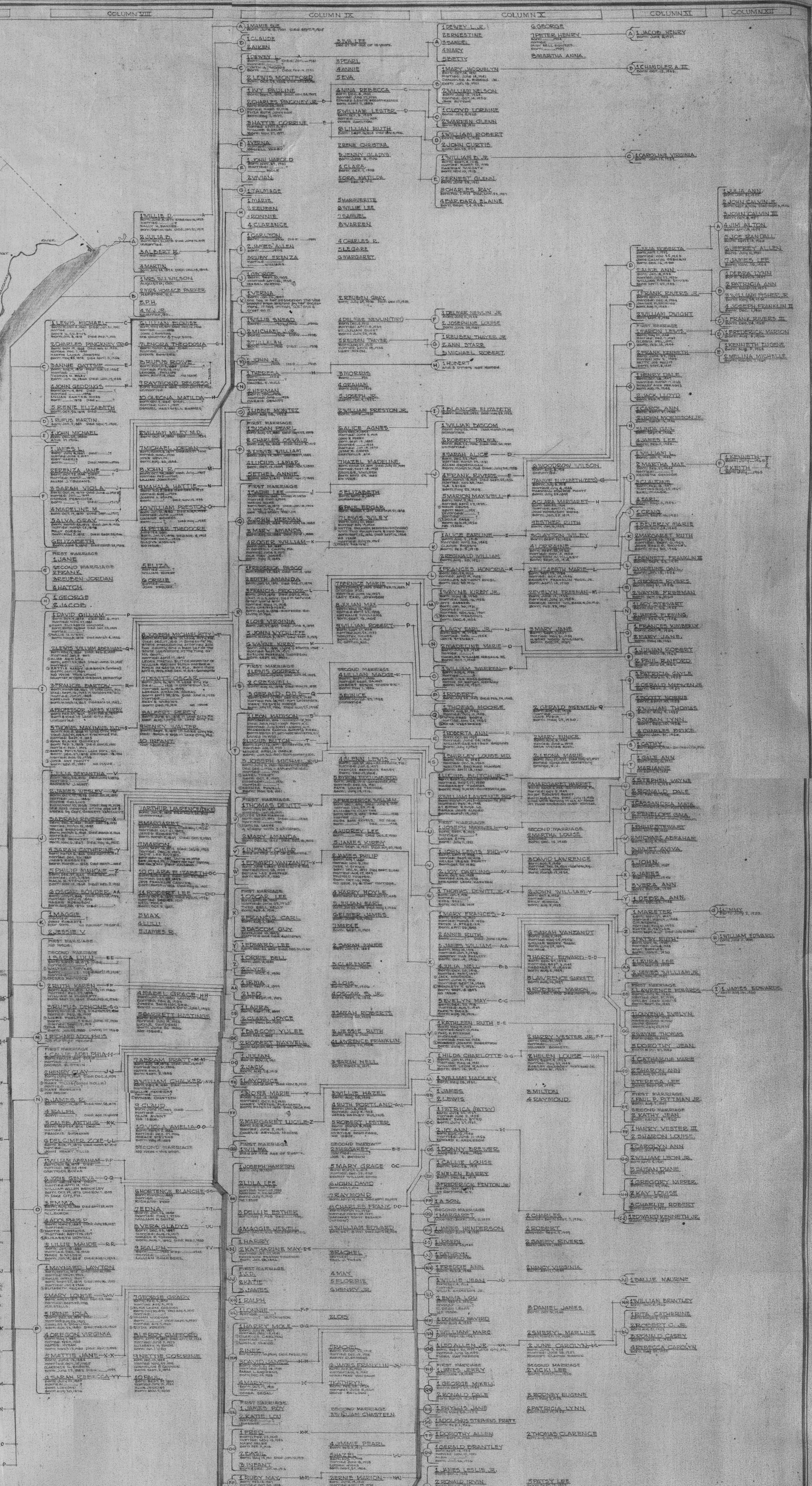
THE CHARTS ON SHEETS NOS. 4 & 5 ARE PREDICATED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT GEORGE, THE FOURTH SON OF GEORGE RIVERS SR. OF JAMES ISLAND, S.C. WHO LEFT JAMES ISLAND ABOUT 1749 AND THE GEORGE RIVERS WHO ARRIVED AND SETTLED IN PONDTOWN, S.C. (LATER CALLED HAMPTON) DURING THAT YEAR ARE ONE AND THE SAME PERSON. HE AND HIS WIFE MARY STROHACKER RAISED A FAMILY OF FIVE CHILDREN.

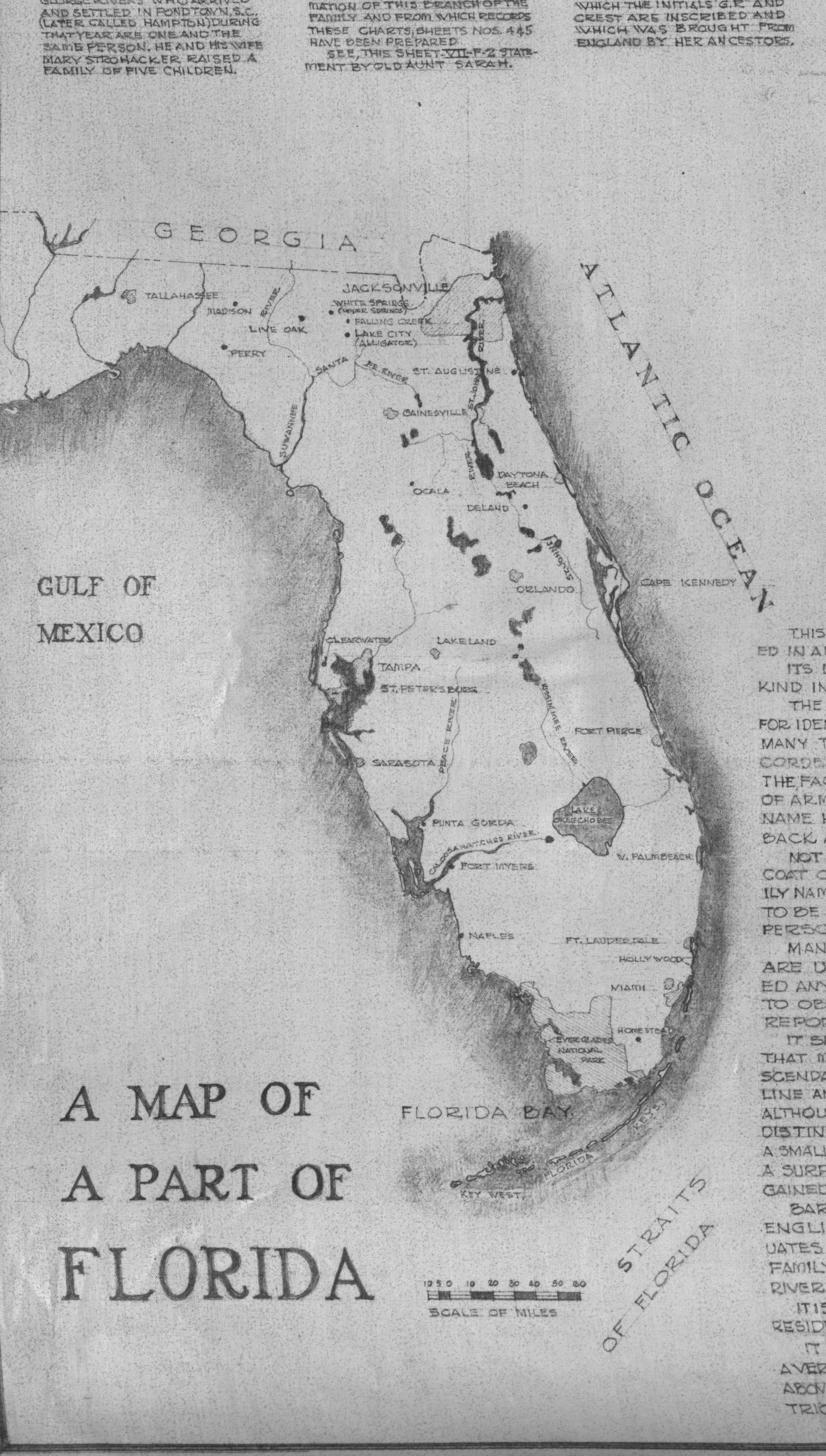
THIS ASSUMPTION IS SUBSTANTIATED BY STATEMENTS MADE BY OLDER MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY IN THE FIRST HALF OF THE 20TH CENTURY, AND RECORDED BY LEON M. RIVERS, WHO WAS AT THAT TIME COLLECTING INFORMATION OF THIS BRANCH OF THE FAMILY AND FROM WHICH RECORDS THESE CHARTS, SHEETS NOS. 4 & 5 HAVE BEEN PREPARED.

SEE THIS SHEET VII-F-2 STATEMENT BY OLD AUNT SARAH.

SEE THIS SHEET VII-D-3 STATEMENT BY MAHALA, WIFE OF REUBEN JORDAN RIVERS, JR.

SEE THIS SHEET IX-K-1 STATEMENT BY VERNA RIVERS, GRANDDAUGHTER OF REUBEN JORDAN JR. THAT SHE OWNED A VASE ON WHICH THE INITIALS "G.R." AND CREST ARE INSCRIBED AND WHICH WAS BROUGHT FROM ENGLAND BY HER ANCESTORS.





A MAP OF A PART OF FLORIDA

HERALDIC DESCRIPTION.

THIS COAT OF ARMS WAS OFFICIALLY RECORDED IN ANCIENT HERALDIC ARCHIES.

ITS DESIGN IS THE ONLY ONE OF ITS KIND IN EXISTENCE.

THE FIRST USE OF A COAT OF ARMS WAS FOR IDENTIFICATION ON THE BATTLEFIELD. MANY TIMES DEEDS OF VALOR WERE RECORDED WITH A MEMORABLE SYMBOL. THE FACT OF THE RECORDING OF A COAT OF ARMS MEANS ITS BEARER'S SURNAME HAD ITS ORIGIN AT LEAST AS FAR BACK AS MEDIEVAL TIMES.

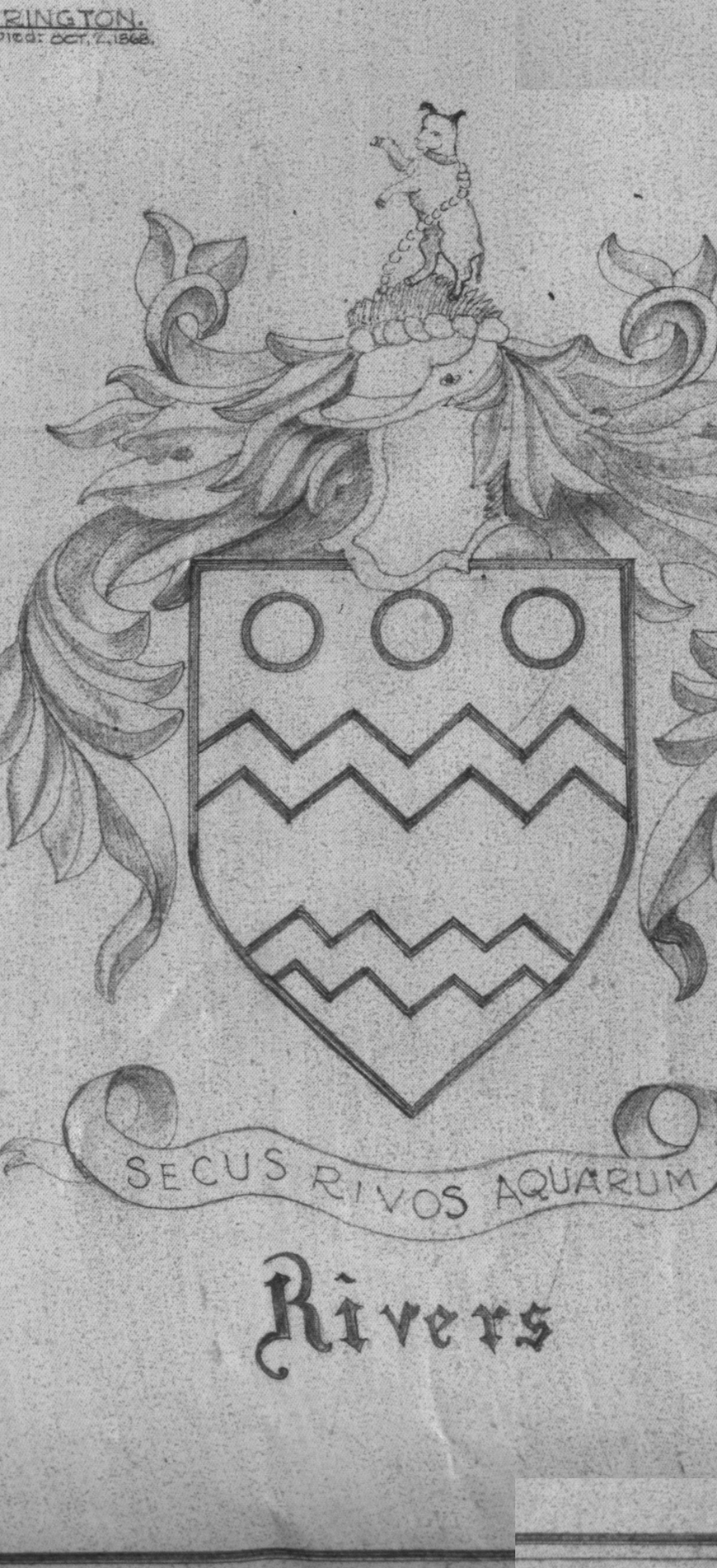
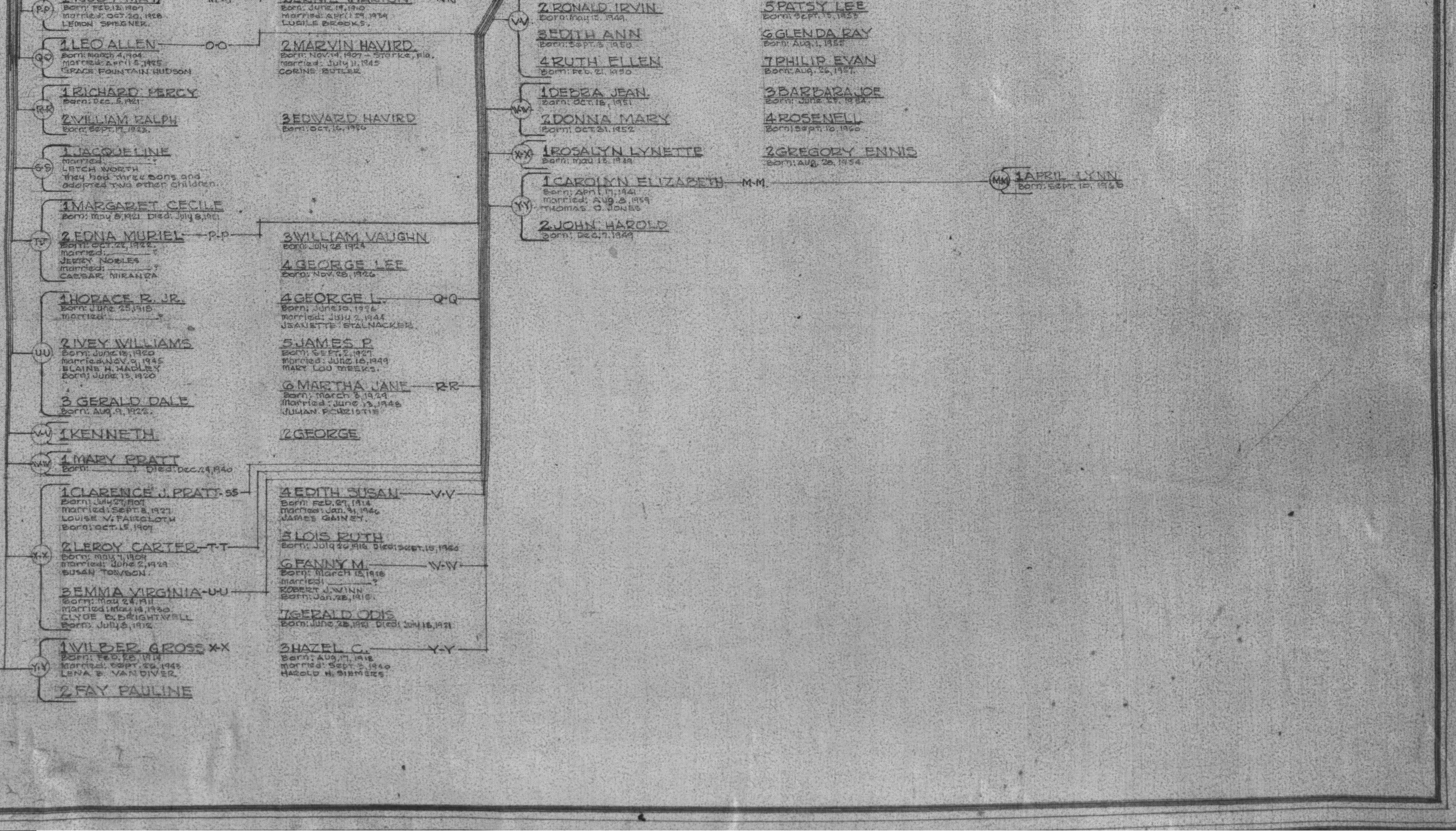
NOT EVERY ONE WAS GRANTED A COAT OF ARMS, IT ALSO MEANS THE FAMILY NAME WAS SINGLED OUT AGES AGO TO BE LIFTED FROM CONFORMITY AND PERSONAL EXTINCTION.

MANY PEOPLE OF THE SAME NAME ARE UNRELATED, WE HAVE NOT TRACED ANY ONE'S INDIVIDUAL FAMILY TREE TO OBTAIN THE INFORMATION IN THIS REPORT.

IT SHOULD BE REMEMBERED HOWEVER THAT MANY PEOPLE MAY BE DIRECT DESCENDANTS OF A PARTICULAR BLOOD LINE AND BE UNKNOWN TO EACH OTHER. ALTHOUGH BEARERS OF THIS OLD AND DISTINGUISHED FAMILY NAME COMPRISE A SMALL FRACTION OF THE POPULATION, A SURPRISING NUMBER OF THEM HAVE GAINED WORLD WIDE RECOGNITION.

BARDSLEY IN HIS "DICTIONARY OF ENGLISH AND WELSH SURNAMES" EQUATES VARIOUS SPELLINGS OF THIS FAMILY NAME, WITH deRIVERS, RIVERES, RIVER, de REPARIIS, REDVERS & REVIERS

IT IS RECORDED RICHARD deRIVERS RESIDED IN COUNTY DEVONSHIRE IN 1273.

IT IS EVIDENT THIS FAMILY NAME IS A VERY OLD AND DISTINGUISHED ONE. THE ABOVE IS BUT A MERE HINT OF ITS ILLUSTRIOUS HISTORY.