



TARRANT COUNTY TXGENWEB

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Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County

Dr. Thomas Asbury Cash

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Dr. Thomas Asbury Cash was a Confederate veteran of a local Texas cavalry regiment. He was a practicing physician for much of his life, and lived in the Southlake area for a time around 1870. Two of his brothers were also physicians.

Family sources at ancestry.com say Dr. Cash was born in Florida on October 18, 1832, a son of Francis Asbury Cash and his wife, Harriet Ann Bates. The elder Cash died in 1834 in Gadsden County, Florida.

When the 1850 census was taken, Thomas A. Cash was living in 1850 in the Southern Division of Surry County, North Carolina. He was a seventeen year old student, born in Florida, living with the family of Isaac and Harriet Jarrett. Family researchers say Isaac Jarrett was Thomas Cash's step-father.

According to Ancestry.com, Dr. Cash attended Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1852.

Mr. Cash and Margaret J. Wright were married about 1857. She was born about 1842 in Alabama. Family internet sources say she died in Tarrant County, Texas on November 14, 1873. The same source shows her birthdate as March 4, 1841. No readable headstone for her now exists in any northeast Tarrant County cemetery.

When the 1860 census was taken, Dr. T. A. Cash and his family were living in Denton County, Texas in the area served by Spear's Mill post office. Mr. and Mrs. Cash had two children with them: Alice and Bogun, both of whom were born in Texas. The census says Bogun was born in July, 1860.

Thomas A. Cash was a private in Captain E. P. Kearby's Company of DeMorse's Regiment of Texas cavalry. This company subsequently became Co. A of the 29th Texas Cavalry. Mr. Cash enlisted

at Denton, Texas on April 24, 1862 for a term of three years. He presented himself for service riding a horse worth one hundred twenty-five dollars and with equipment worth thirty dollars. He was mustered into the Confederate service at Camp Cooper on May 3, 1862. He was twenty-nine years old. He was detailed on duty as a hospital steward on February 28, 1863. He was still serving at that post during the months of May and June, 1863. No other details of his service have survived in the National Archives. [Note: A correction was made to the regiment number above.]

When the 1870 census was taken, Dr. T. A. Cash and his family were living in northeast Tarrant County in Precinct 2. He is shown as the owner of real estate worth seven hundred dollars, but he has not been located in tax records to pinpoint its exact site. He was thirty-seven years old, a physician, and a native of Florida. He and his wife had four children with them: Alice, Bogon B., P. M. (a male) and Ala M. (a female).

Family sources at ancestry.com say Dr. Cash died April 21, 1873 in Texas. He has no readable headstone in Tarrant County, and we have not been able to search the available cemetery records for Denton County.

Alice Virginia Cash was born in Denton County, Texas on February 21, 1858. She died in Weatherford, Custer County, Oklahoma on October 9, 1951. She is shown in the 1880 census of Precinct 6 of Montague County, Texas as Alice D. West, the wife of Edward S. West. Her two youngest siblings, Polk and Ollie Cash, were living with her family.

Bogan Bates Cash was born in Denton County, Texas on June 12, 1860. He was living in Precinct 3 of Tarrant County, Texas in 1880. Family sources say he married Annah L. Biedleman in Stephens Co., Texas July 11, 1889, where they lived for many years. He died on January 31, 1955 in Austin, Texas at his home at 102 West 29th Street. He was buried in Breckenridge, Texas. When the 1880 census was taken, he was living in northeast Tarrant County with his grandmother, Sarah Wright (born about 1814) and two of his cousins, Samuel and Jefferson Rose.

Polk Wright Cash (born about 1864) and Ollie Mae Cash (born about 1869) are the two youngest children shown for this family in the 1880 census record. Both were living with their older sister, Alice, and her family in 1880 in Montague County, Texas. Family sources say Polk Cash died in 1896.

There are several surviving family letters dealing with the three physician. They are in a university collection back East, and the information in them will be added at a later time when copies become available to this researcher.