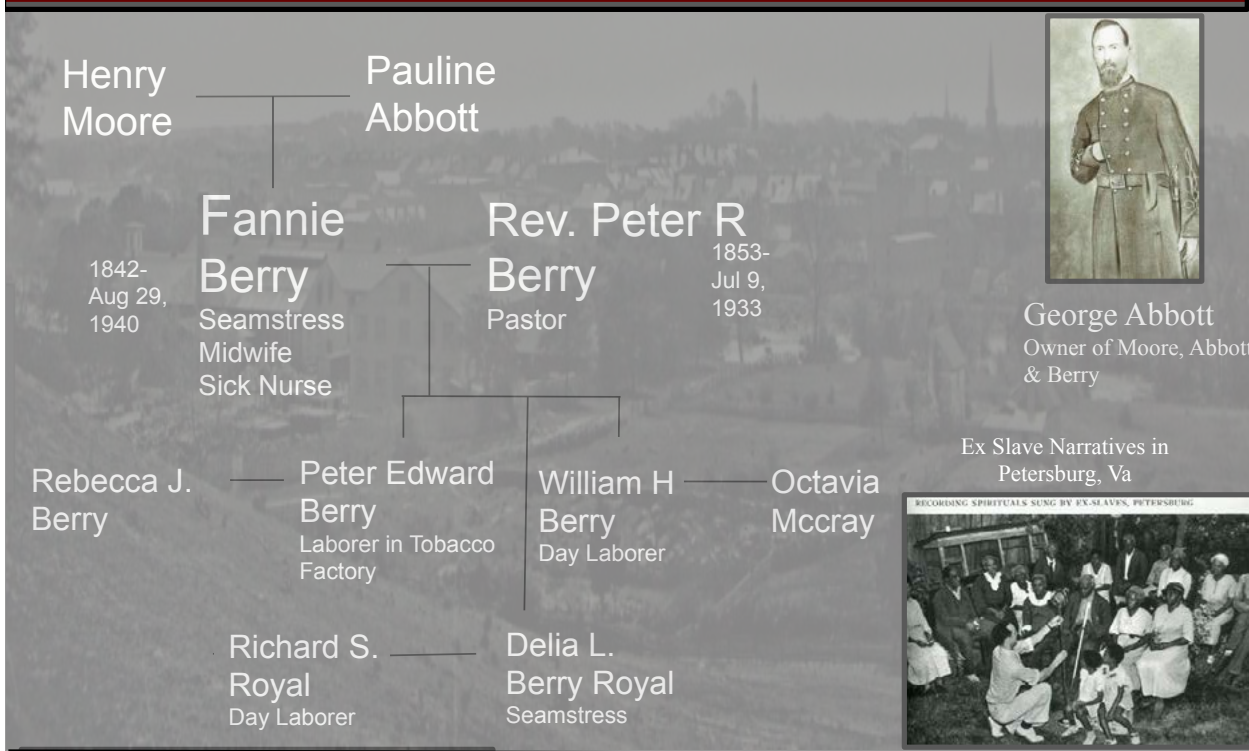
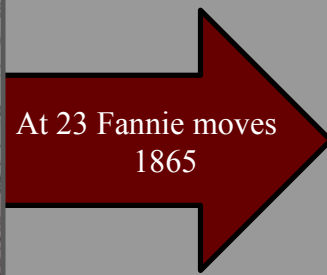


The Life of Fannie Berry



Appomattox County; 1865

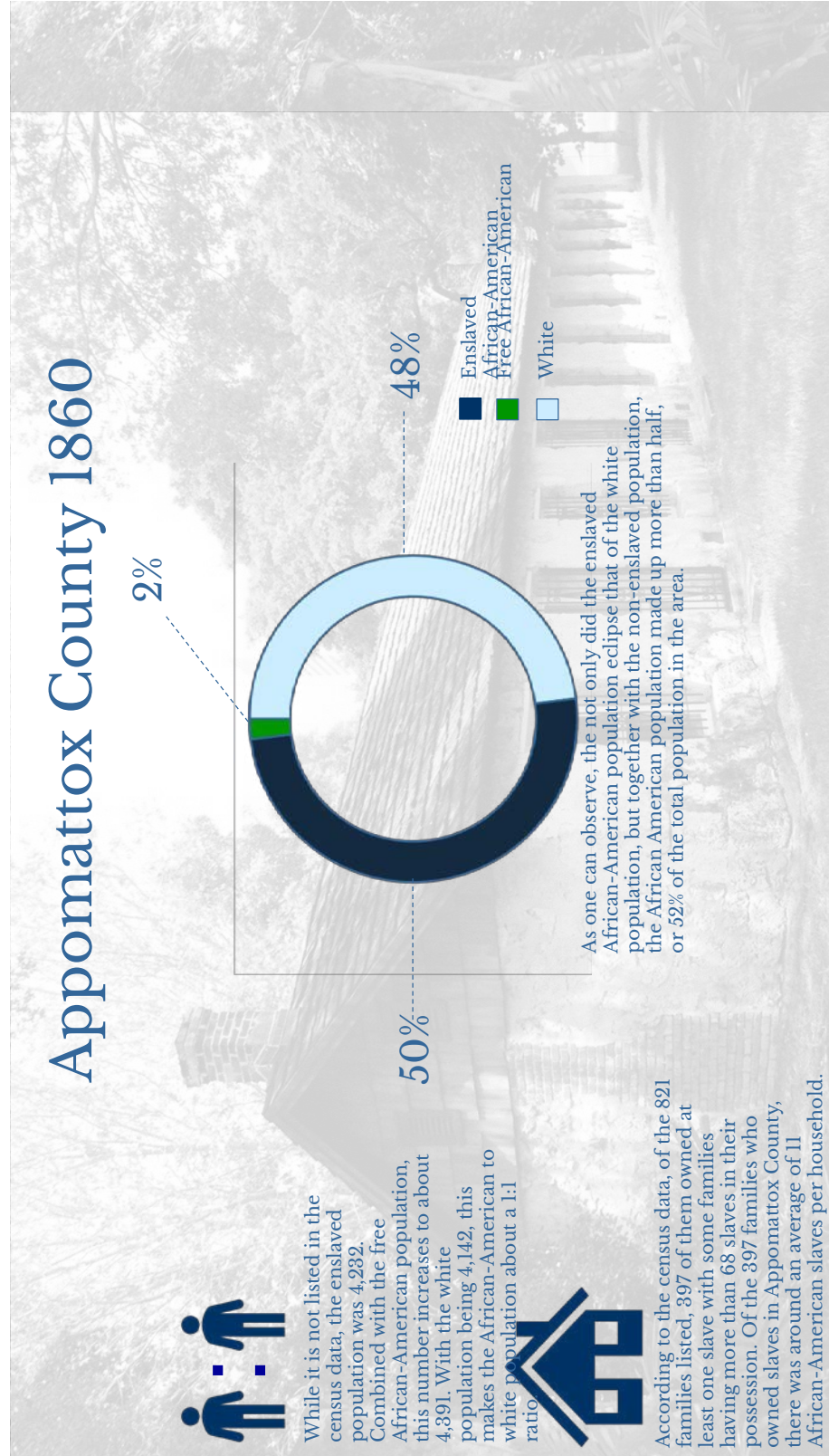


At 23 Fannie moves
1865



Petersburg, Virginia; 1919

After the close of the Civil War Berry, along with other Appomattox Area African Americans, fled the rural countryside to more populated and urban areas. Once in Petersburg, Berry married her husband, Reverend Peter R. Berry in 1870. The Berrys' were able to accumulate wealth and become homeowners within the town of Petersburg. According to the 1900 census, Fannie and her husband were homeowners. By 1920, they accumulated enough wealth to pay off their home. They had three children, all of whom were able to read and write although Fannie herself could not.

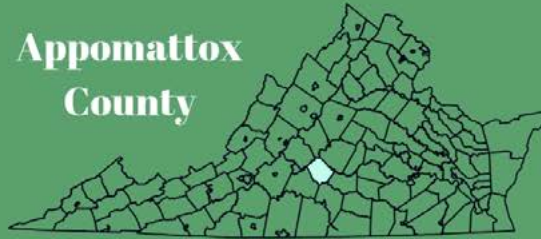




Matthew Mullin

African-American Home Ownership in

Appomattox County



5%

of homes in Appomattox County were owned by African Americans in

1870

14%
of homes in Appomattox County were owned by African Americans in

1930



Home Ownership By Race

African American
3%



1870

Other
97%

African American
14%



1930

Other
86%



Newspaper Clip 1

INFORMATION WANTED OF JEMMY CALLOWAY, (colored) who left the farm of Mr. John T. Davis, in Appomattox county, Va., after the fall of Richmond. When last heard from he was in Harrisonburg, Pa., boarding with a Mrs. E. Roberts. Any information concerning him will be thankfully received by his father, James Calloway, at Alexandria, Va.

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Newspaper Clip 2

MR. EDITOR—I wish to inquire for my people. They lived, in the time of the war, in Appomattox county, Va., and the old man was Thomas Mosbey that they belonged to. My father's name was Edmond Jane, he is dead. My mother's name is Jennie Mosbey. I had four brothers, the oldest was James Mosbey, Dave Mosbey, Reader Mosbey, Ben Mosbey, and two sisters of us, Charity and Nancy Mosbey, but now I am Nancy Williams. My young Mistress name is Marsham Elliott, and I got a letter from her in 1880. Please address me at Red Land, Pontotoc county, Miss.

J. B. WILLIAMS.

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