The family Bible of Catherine McCall Rainwater, wife of James

This Bible was given as a gift to Catherine McCall Rainwater, the estranged wife of James Rainwater, by her son, John Sanford Rainwater. Based on the clues he provides in the flyleaf inscription correlated with other known data, the gift was sent between 1851 and 1870. At Catherine's death in 1875, the Bible must have passed into the hands of one of the children still living in Tennessee, probably the family of William Inman and Mary Blackwell Rainwater. Whether the Bible still exists and who presently owns it, is not known.

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This is Catherine Breesopeter
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New Haven, Ct. 

[Signature]
Catherine Rainwater was born July 20, 1845.

Catherine Rainwater suffered this life #2077 in the house where she lived and in the season of 1855.

This is Catherine McCall Rainwater born in 1845 and lived in the house where she was born.

[Handwritten notes and signatures]
BIRTHS.

Eliza J. Rainwater was born Nov. 11 day in the year 1811.

Moses W. Rainwater was born March the 7, 1816.

Phin D. Rainwater was born May the 21st 1819.

Marvin C. Rainwater was born June the 18, 1822.

Lawson C. Rainwater was born Sept. the 23, 1823.

William J. Rainwater was born Feburary the 11 day 1832.

End of all.

Harry C. Rainwater was born November 4th day of July 1833.
Melvina Rainwater was born the 27th day in the year 1844.
Catherine Rainwater was born on the 19th March 1846.
Andrew J. Rainwater was born August the 5th in the year of our Lord 1846.
Heirs of Wm. Rainwater 1848.

1st: Lucy C. Rainwater was born October the 29th day in the year of our Lord 1833.

Jonathan Nelson Rainwater was born January 12th day in the year of our Lord 1833.

Sarah E. Rainwater was born November the 9th day of 1856.

James Monroe Rainwater was born Sept the 11th 1858.

Samuel M. Rainwater was born November 9th 1860.
DEATHS.
Daughter of Hasten Rainwater Died

Melvina died
12 day of July 1845

Heirs of William T. Rainwater

Sarah Elizabeth Rainwater
Departed this life October
the 31 at 8 o'clock A.M. 1857

Her J. Rainwater died
December the 19 AD 1862

July C. Rainwater died
November the 11 AD 1863

Samuel M. Rainwater died
December the 20 AD 1877

T. M. Rainwater died
November the 17 AD 1877
MARRIAGES.

William J. Rainwater was married to Miss Mary Catherine Blackwell Slem the 19th day in the year of our Lord 1852.

Mary C. Rainwater was born November the 4th day in the year of our Lord 1833.

1853
1833
672 27 years
Dear mother. It would afford me much pleasure to see you once more twenty five years has elapsed since I have seen your face. but mother I have not forgotten you yet. I did calculate to see you this winter but owing to my cotton crop I have on hand it will be out of my power to come there this winter without losing part of my cotton. and mother if I never see you on this earth. I hope I will see you in a better world than this. My family are all tolerable well at this time. Father is in tolerable health for a man of his age. But still remains blind. I have another little girl near 3 months old. the children are going to school at that time. I will write again soon I think. Farewell mother.

John S. Rainwater to Mark Catherine Rainwater Dixon

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