



Draper reported the Colonel Isaac Shelby spoke of two expert rifle brothers, one Tory and one Patriot who fired and killed each other at the same moment. Draper surmised that Preston Goforth was the Patriot brother.

Various reports state that when Preston's wife heard that he had been killed, she hooked a sled to an ox named Butch and went to the battleground. She found his body on the battlefield and hauled it back to the farm to bury in the back yard.

<http://cranfordville.com/Newsletter/nc-ns706.pdf>

Other reports are that Sarah Clements Goforth, wife of loyalist George Preston Goforth, got a slave to hitch a sled to a horse, retrieved her husband's body, and brought it home.

Perhaps one or both of the accounts are true.



WESTON
G. FORTY

SON OF
MRS. NANCY POTTS
DIED
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