

Browse by Regions or Titles

Western Maryland

- Catoctin Clarion
- Civilian & Telegraph
- The Democratic Advocate
- Maryland Free Press

Central Maryland/Baltimore

- The Aegis & Intelligencer
- American Republican and Baltimore Daily Clipper
- Baltimore Commercial Journal, and Lyford's Price-current
- Baltimore Daily Commercial
- The Daily Exchange
- Der Deutsche Correspondent
- The Pilot
- The Pilot and Transcript
- The Southern Aegis, and Harford County Intelligencer
- The Southern Aegis

Eastern Shore

- The Cecil Whig
- The Daily Banner

Southern Maryland

- St. Mary's Beacon
- St. Mary's Gazette
- Port Tobacco Times, and Charles County Advertiser
- The Prince George's Enquirer and Southern Maryland Advertiser



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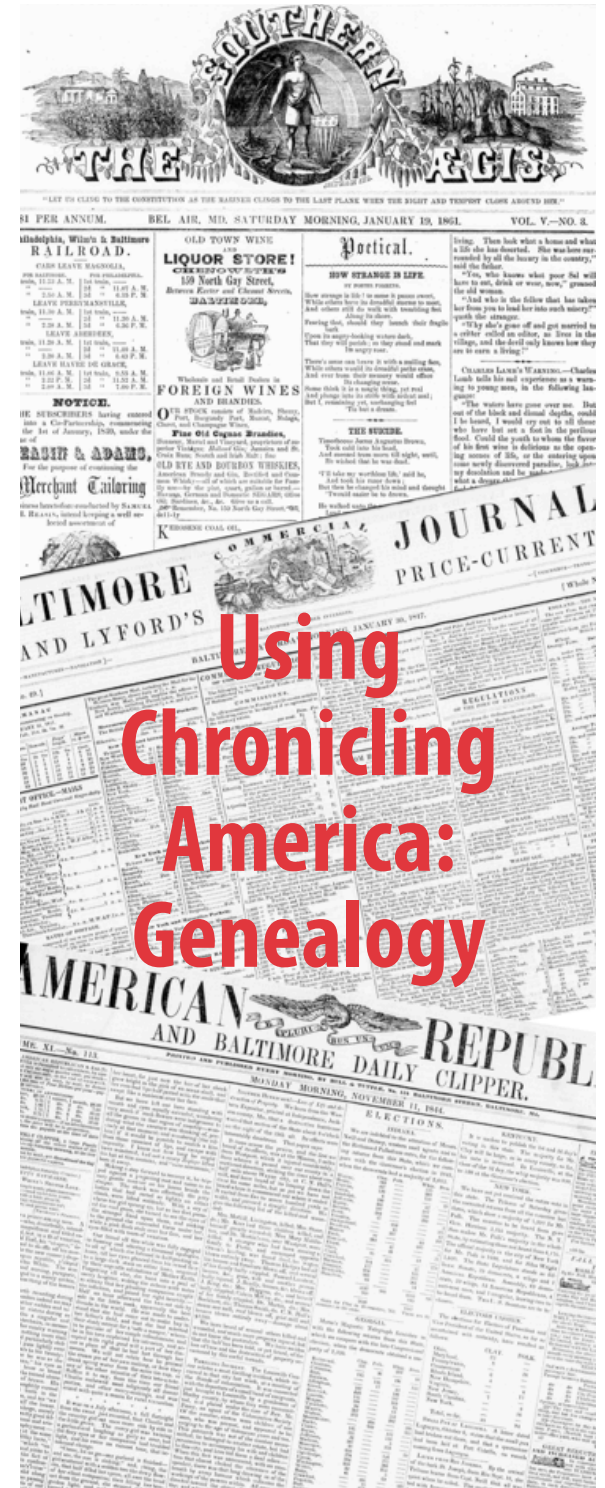
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Using Chronicling America: Genealogy

Search Tips

Family Names

- Search the full name, first and middle initial and last name (e.g., W.D. Barrows), maiden name, or just a last name, and use spelling variants
- Use quotation marks around exact names
- First names may be abbreviated (e.g., Chas. for Charles, Wm. for William)
- A woman may have been identified by her husband's first and last name (e.g., Mrs. John Smith).
- Search schools, organizations, street names, family businesses, etc., associated with the family
- Expect exact search results on important individuals, usually men

Vocabulary and Spelling:

- Vocabulary and spellings have changed over time. If unfamiliar with words of the period, browse the newspapers for potential search terms
- Use synonyms. If looking for a wedding, search for "wedding," "marriage," "nuptial," etc.
- Typos occur often in historic newspapers and text recognition is imperfect (e.g., "e" for "o")

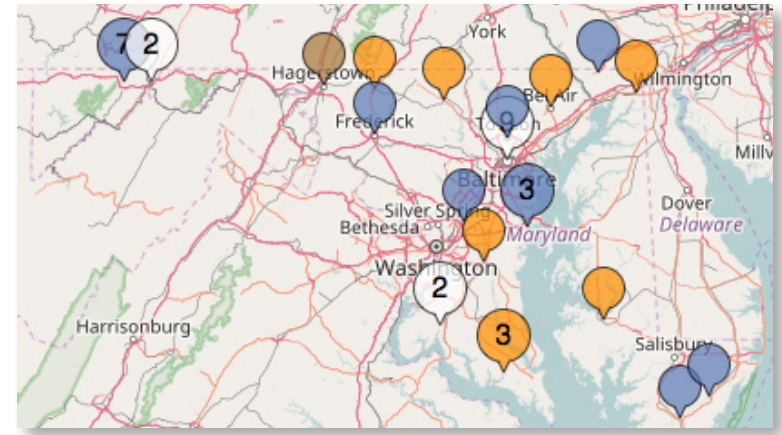
Search Query:

- Narrow/expand using Chronichling America Advanced Search: dates, newspaper title, "with any of the words," "all of the words," "with the phrase," and "with the words within x number of spaces"

Search using abbreviated name

Browse Newspaper Sections

- Marriages
- Births
- Deaths/obituaries
- Legal notices
- Crime logs
- Passenger lists
- Military service/regiment lists
- City/personal news
- Advertisements
- Business listings



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Search by state

Search by newspaper title

Search by date range

A screenshot of the Chronichling America search interface. The page has a header with the logo and text: "NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES CHRONICLING AMERICA Historic American Newspapers". Below the header are navigation tabs: "Search Pages", "Advanced Search", and "All Digitized Newspapers 1789-1924". A purple button on the right says "US Newspaper Directory, 1690-Present". The main search area is divided into three columns. The first column is "Select State(s):" with a dropdown menu showing "Kentucky", "Louisiana", "Maryland", "Massachusetts", "Michigan", "Minnesota", "Mississippi", and "Missouri". The second column is "Or Select Newspaper(s):" with a dropdown menu showing "The Cass County Republican. (Dowagiac, Mich.)", "Catoctin clarion. (Mechanicstown, Md.)", "The Caucasian. (Alexandria, La.)", "The Caucasian. (Shreveport, La.)", "The Caucasian. (Clinton, N.C.)", "Cayton's monthly. (Seattle, Wash.)", "Cayton's weekly. (Seattle, Wash.)", and "The Cecil Whig. (Elkton, Md.)". The third column is "Select Year(s)*" with a dropdown menu showing "1789-1924*" and a date range selector set to "from 1870 to 1900". Below these are options for "Limit Search" (only front page or Specific page), "Language" (All), and "Enter Search" with three input fields: "...with any of the words:", "...with all of the words:", and "...with the phrase:". The first field contains "Wm. Murdoch Beall". There is also a field for "...with the words:" with a "within 5 words of each other" option. At the bottom right are "Clear" and "Search" buttons. At the very bottom, it says "Pages Available: 11,505,288" and has links for "Print", "Subscribe", "Share/Save", and "Give Feedback".

Search tutorial: go.umd.edu/qaj