

## Group Sheet

<b>Child:</b>	<b>Mary Jane Aiken</b>
Born:	November 11, 1770
in:	Ballymena, County Antrim, Ireland
Died:	August 10, 1852
in:	Fairfield Dist., SC
Relationship with Father:	James Aiken - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Elizabeth Reid - Natural
Buried:	Old Brick Church Cem.(ARP), Fairfield Co, SC
Nickname:	"Molsey"

## Medical

## Notes

"Molsey" as my father called her, was the other sister. She was older than her sister Margaret, both large women in their old age, and good "Seceder." She married a Martin, also, but whether related to the other, I do not know, but rather think not. Aunt Molsey, in her old age, lived with her son John A. Martin, near Alston, Fairfield District, S.C. in the "Glenn" and "Kincade" neighborhood.

James Martin, cotton buyer in Columbia S.C. and the time of his death, Cotton Factor in Charleston, on Boyce's Wharf, was another son of Aunt Mary. He was the father of Rev. James L. Martin D.D. Fairfield District produced no two men of more integrity of character, true piety and honesty in all things than James and John A. Martin."

From "The Family of James and Elizabeth Reid Aiken" manuscript found in a bottle in Dr. William E. Aiken's yard in Winnsboro, SC.

<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Husband:	Edward Martin, Cpt.
Married:	March 1792
Beginning status:	Married
in:	Fairfield Dist., SC
<b>Child:</b>	<b>Margaret E. Aiken</b>
Born:	Abt. 1772
in:	Ballymena, County Antrim, Ireland
Died:	September 07, 1847
in:	Fairfield Dist., SC
Relationship with Father:	James Aiken - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Elizabeth Reid - Natural
Buried:	Martin-McDowell Cem., Fairfield Co., SC

## Medical

## Notes

"One of the daughters of James and Elizabeth Aiken, married a Martin of Laurens District, S.C., and from that family the name Martin's depot originated. Robert Martin, Sr., of Charleston, the father of Ellen D. Aiken, was one of her sons. Another son was the father of Mag Martin. Still another was William A. Martin of Fairfield, an industrious farmer on Jackson Creek.

Mrs. McClintock, near Tylersville, Laurens District, the mother of Cousin Jane Todd of Due West, was a daughter of Aunt Margaret."

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"After the death of David Martin, his widow moved, with her family, from Fairfield to Laurens District, and settled near Capt. James Davis, four miles south of the Court House."

Source: Letter from Leon S. Hollingsworth to Mr J. C. Hemphill dtd. 8-31-54

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 oving wife and children William, John, and Sally share and share alike after my debts is paid  
 (and in case that my wiff should bring me forth another child, if it is a mail it is to share with the other mails, and if femail to share as  
 the other femail) And I allow my wiff and to remain on the plantation for this season and then the property to be sold and the money to  
 be put to interest for the children and the plantation to ly out or weeft and as for my cloos I allow them for my poor little children and  
 I do make nominate constitute and appoint my trusty friends Hugh Aiken and Robert Bankhad Exactors of this my last will and  
 testament here by revoking and making void all and every other will or wills at any time here tofore by me made and do declare this to  
 be my last will and testiment in witnefs whereof I have herewith set my hand and seal this eighth day of April in year of our Lord one  
 thousand eight hundred four.

<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Wife:	Mary (Aiken)
Beginning status:	Married
<b>Child:</b>	<b>Elizabeth Aiken</b>
Born:	Abt. 1775
in:	Ballymena, County Antrim, Ireland
Died:	1855
in:	Laurens, Laurens Dist., SC
Relationship with Father:	James Aiken - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Elizabeth Reid - Natural

**Medical**

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<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Husband:	John Boyd
Beginning status:	Married
in:	Laurens, SC
<b>Child:</b>	<b>John Aiken</b>
Born:	Abt. 1778
in:	Ballymena, County Antrim, Ireland
Died:	Abt. 1835
in:	Little River, Fairfield Dist., SC
Relationship with Father:	James Aiken - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Elizabeth Reid - Natural

**Medical**

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"John, the second son, was an industrious man, his wife was known as old "Aunt Betsy", (but her maiden name not remembered.) They raised several sons and daughters. The sons were rather "rough fellows," particularly two of them, Hiram and Hugh, lazy and fond of "likker." Robert, another son, was more industrious and sober, and Joseph, the youngest, was a very good young man. Old Uncle John died about 1835. Aunt Betsy could not manage the wild boys, and they lived from hand to mouth in a log house near Little River until her death, about 1847, and then removed to Alabama and Mississippi."

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<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Wife:	Elizabeth (Aiken)
Beginning status:	Married
in:	Fairfield Dist., SC

## Family Group Sheet

<b>Child:</b>	<b>William Aiken</b>
Born:	March 1779
in:	Ballymena, County Antrim, Ireland
Died:	1831
in:	Charleston, SC
Relationship with Father:	James Aiken - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Elizabeth Reid - Natural
Buried:	St. Phillips Cem., Charleston, SC

**Medical**

Cause of death: Riding accident in Charleston, SC. The horse spooked, ran away with him.

**Notes**

*William, above mentioned, became successful merchant in Charleston, and a very rich man. His administrative ability caused him to be chosen one of the first presidents of the South Carolina Railroad, then being built to Augusta, Ga., and after him, the town of Aiken on that rail line was named. He was the father of the Ex-Governor Aiken, whose mother was a Wyatt.*

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<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Wife:	Henrietta Wyatt
Married:	November 13, 1801
Beginning status:	Married
in:	Charleston, SC
<b>Child:</b>	<b>David Aiken</b>
Born:	June 17, 1786
in:	Ballymena, County Antrim, Ireland
Died:	November 18, 1860
in:	Winnsboro, SC
Relationship with Father:	James Aiken - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Elizabeth Reid - Natural
Buried:	Sion Presbyterian Ch. Cem., Winnsboro, SC

**Medical****Notes**

*"The youngest child of James and Elizabeth Aiken was born in County Antrim, Ireland, 17 th June 1788. We have said that he came to this country in 1799, landing at Charleston, then to the "Farm" in Fairfield, and again back to his brother William in Charleston as a store boy, where he became an expert in his peculiar line, that is, in rubbing rust off hardware, and salting green hides, afterward tacking the hides up on the outside of the store to dry in the sun, and when tired at night, he was allowed to occupy the counter for a bed, and cover with any stray blanket, or bolt of homespun not otherwise engaged, provided the bed was "madeup" and the room swept out, before sunrise the next morning.*

*When going from Fairfield to Charleston to enter this apprenticeship, he caught a young squirrel, and carried it to the city, which he sold for fifty cents. This gave him a start, and after serving his brother William for two years, he got permission to go back to Fairfield. Having a little cash saved up, and the promise of help from his brother, he concluded to settle in Winnsboro, and open a small store, for barter in coon skins, cowhides, indigo, leaf tobacco, and other products which would find a market in Charleston.*

*This shop was small frame building of two rooms and a shed on Main street, about 150 yards from the present "Aiken Homestead." One of the rooms was the store, the balance of the house was occupied by a "Sullivan" family. An annual trip was made to "The City." Leaf tobacco then was tightly packed into a hogshead, with a hickory pole run through the middle, extending through both heads as an axis, to this was hitched the old horse following the wagon loaded with its skins, indigo, etc., and the trip to Charleston was begun and ended in three weeks.*

*On one of these trips, David, from the proceeds of his produce, bought the first negro he ever owned. State Street was then the negro market for fresh importations from Africa. He went round, and with \$200 saved, purchased "Jack" and returned with his possession to Fairfield.*

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A few acres in cotton was cultivated the next year, and from its sale in the fall at sixty two and a half cents per pound, another darkey was bought, this time a female, "Betsy" returned with the wagon to Fairfield, and was shortly after the wife of Jack. Annually a few more acres in cotton were cultivated, a few more negroes brought back, and so it revolved.

By rigid economy and strict attention to business, those revolutions of barter and trade, and an annual extension of farm interest, secured to David Aiken a large estate, in and around Winnsboro, amounting at his death in 1860 to 264 negroes, 13,000 acres of land, \$30,000 of real estate in Winnsboro, besides \$10,000 of stock in the Bank of Fairfield, and yet nearly every dollar of this estate was lost to his heirs by the result of the war. In a day at the surrender of General Robert E. Lee at Appomatox, 9th April 1865, the labor of sixty long and arduous years was wasted and thrown away."

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<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Wife:	Ann Agnes (Nancy) Kerr
Married:	February 25, 1812
Beginning status:	Married
in:	Fairfield Dist., SC