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## THE STORE

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The people of his little world certainly made a well worn path to his door. Something potent brought them there, whether it be his magnetic personality or the spirit of his "Still House Spring" which he refers to in his will.

Among them were:

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Great-great-grandma had a little brother called the Dauphine. He also escaped, but at a different time. They planned to meet in America. She never saw him again. Her life as a member of the royal family was so terrible that she was happy to be a common person. At one time, Lafayette came to her and told her that he thought she could regain the throne. She told him that she did not want the responsibility and danger. She wanted no one to know her heritage. She was the serving girl whose identity she took.

Lillie told me that the Dauphine was on a small boat between France and England. A storm came up and he was washed overboard. When they got to America, they planned to meet at the Wilkins' place in Wilmington, Delaware. Great-great-grandma went there and heard that her brother had been washed overboard. She hoped for years that he had survived and would someday find her.

What does history have to say about the children of this famous couple? Many stories, both fact and fiction, are available if you are interested, but these facts seem clear to me. The royal family was taken to the tower in August 1792. Louis XVI was beheaded in January 1793. In July 1793, Marie Antoinette asked for a doctor to examine her children. The young king had a hernia; Madam Royale was covered with ulcers. The 12th of July, the young king was taken from his mother. On the Antoinette was beheaded on the 16th of October 1793. The king's sister, Marie Elizabeth, and Madam Royale were together, prisoners in the tower, until May 1794 when Madam Elizabeth also lost her head. From May until December, Madam Royale was alone. During that time it is said she walked briskly every morning for one hour, made her bed and tidied her quarters. Twice daily she said her prayers. When released from prison, she was in relatively good health.

After her release from the tower, she was taken to Austria where she was kept under close surveillance until it became evident that she would not marry the Archduke Charles. She was then sent to her uncle Louis XVIII, Artois, and married younger son of the Duc d'Angoulême. She was a very unhappy woman and her eyes were often red from crying. She died in 1851. On her tombstone is written, "Ask yourself, all ye who pause here, if your sorrows are equal to mine." It was a very common idea that the children were exchanged for someone else while they were confined in the tower. At least forty different men presented themselves or were presented by someone else while they were yet a boy and claimed to be the Dauphine. I have no idea how many Madam Royale's may have laid claim to the throne, but no one ever proved themselves to be the children of Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette.

Why would anyone trade places with someone in prison? Perhaps the serving girl was forced to make the trade, but she may have known that there was a possibility that girl she replaced might be freed. From a standpoint of history, the daughter of Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette was known as Madam Royale. Madam Royale was a very rich lady. She was heir to her mother's dowry on deposit in Vienna, worth half a million livres with accumulated interest adding substantially to its value. Also, diamonds taken out of France at the time of Varennes valued at one million livres, the chateaux of Rambouillet and St. Cloud with all their contents, paintings, porcelains, silver and books that had been property of the king and queen; and one half million livres on deposit in the Netherlands

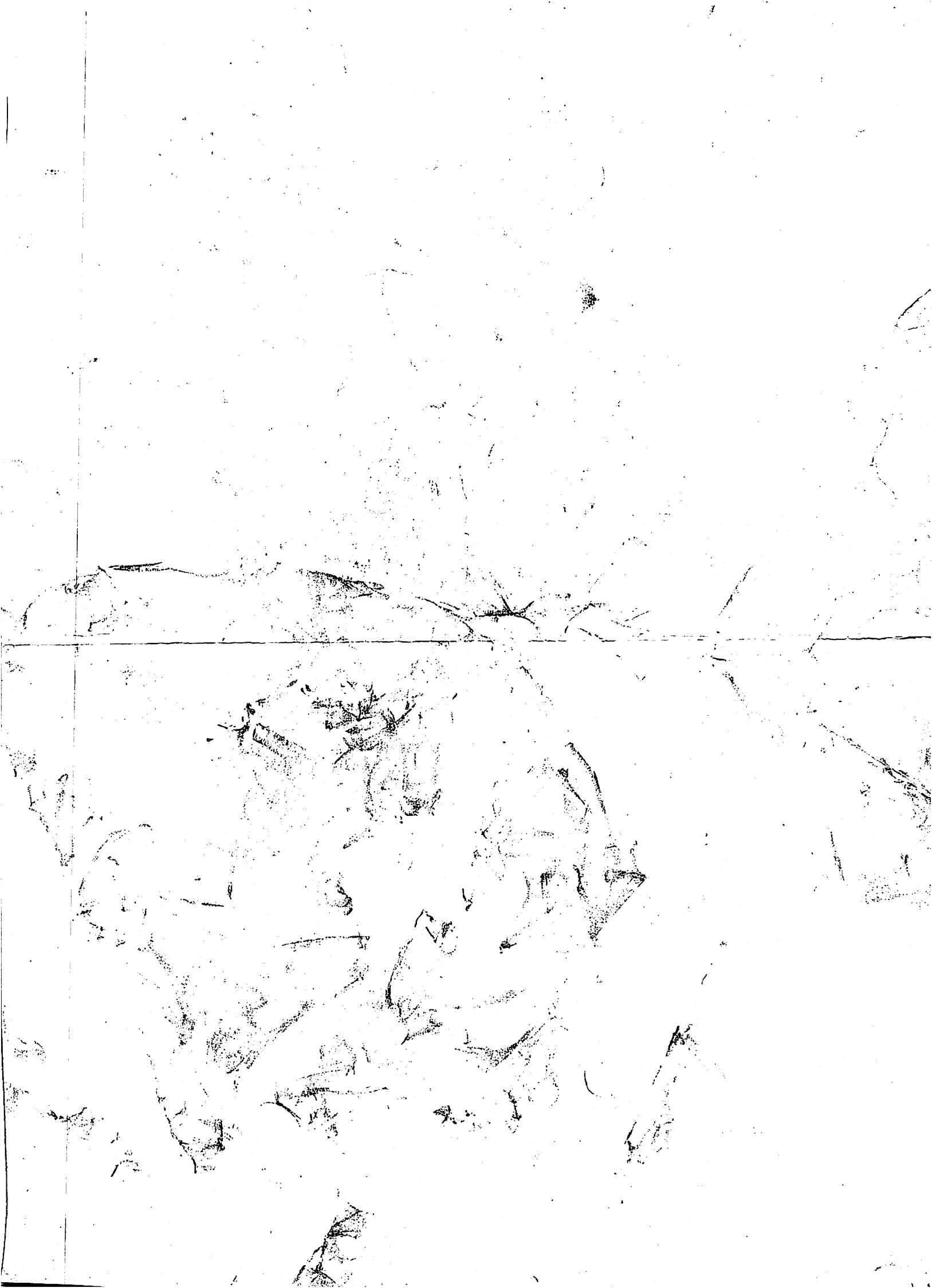
fetching an interest of four percent, money, the king and queen had Person to repay him for the trip to Varennes.

It is well established that Lafayette came to America in 1777, the time in South Carolina, where he had land given him for his part in the American Revolution. In addition, I found a letter in the South Carolina Historical Magazine, Vol. 7 pages 182 & 183 that Mr. Carmichael received from Lafayette. While it does not refer to Sarah or Madam Royale, it does show that Lafayette knew of a Carmichael family.

The main reason I discount the story is the tombstone engraving at John Barber's grave. It cannot be correct and allow his wife to have been Madam Royale. However, if she did not wish anyone to know, or if the dates are inaccurate for any reason, the story could be true. A fifteen year old girl could have made her way to the United States in 1794 or 1795, met and married John L. Barber using the name of Sarah Carmichael. That is the name always used when my father and grandfather tried to teach me my family tree. Imagine my surprise when I found records of the settling of John L. Barber's estate and learned his widow was Margaret. At first I thought he had married her late in life, and perhaps he did, but they were married before they left South Carolina. Margaret Barber gave up her dower rights to her home in Fairfield on 31 December 1838. He was then 68 years old.

Nathaniel C. Barber & William T. Barber Adms. of John Barber deceased vs Petition to sell land.

This day came the Administrators of John Barber Decd. by Attorney and Petition here filed sets forth in The Heirs of said Estate substance that John Barber died seized and possessed of the following land to wit forty three acres off the north end of the west half of the southwest quarter Section (28) in Township (23) of Range (27) twenty four acres out of the south east corner of the southwest quarter of Section (28) in Township (23) of Range (27) another North West quarter of section (28) in Township (23) of Range (27) except one acre on the north west corner of said quarter section which was formerly deeded to the Presbyterian Church and also excepting ten acres off the east side of said quarter deeded to Nathaniel C. Barber and that the \_\_\_\_\_ are Margaret Barber widow of said decd. John Barber of Washington County \_\_\_\_\_ Alabama, Nathaniel C. Barber, James A. Barber, William T. Barber, Sarah Welch Wife of John Welch residents of Chambers County Alabama and Jane Barber of York District South Carolina and the Heirs of Mary Halls late Mary Barber deceased to wit Mansel Hall Nathaniel Barber Hall residents of South Carolina, Sarah J Perkins wife of James Perkins of Randolph County Georgia all of said Legates over the age of twenty one years also the heirs of Louisa M. Knighton who is under the age of twenty one years and residents of the State of Georgia. And that said real estate cannot be equally fairly and beneficially divided among the legatees of said estate without the sale of same. Said petitioners therefore pray that the Courts will cause the necessary publication made and order sale of said real Estate. It is ordered that Edward Croft (Name unclear) be appointed guardian \_\_\_\_\_ of the minors heirs of said deceased and that citation issued to the resident heirs of said deceased and that the publication be made in the Chambers Herald for three consecutive weeks notifying the non resident heirs of said Estate to be and appear at an Orphans Court to be held in and for said County on the 2nd Monday in November next and show cause if any they can why said petition should not be granted.



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Elizabeth Caroline Pendry b. Mar. 13, 1845, Thurs. 1:30 P.M.

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John Richard Pendry b. Sept. 20, 1853, Tues. A.M.; d. Aug. 22, 1854, age 11 mos.

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Mary Susan Gordon, b. Sept. 23, 1864

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Joseph Richard Stovall b. Sept. 19, 1870, Mon. noon

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#### Pickett Family

The Pickett family, a very important name in Webster Co. history, could easily fill an entire book with its many descendants and all their accomplishments. This history begins with Micajah Pickett, Sr., a patriot who furnished supplies to Col. Hampton's men. His wife was Kizannah Henson, dau. of Phillip Henson. Two of their sons were Jephtha and John B. Pickett, Jr.

Jephtha Pickett b. 17 Apr. 1788 Fairfield Co. S.C. moved to Madison Co. Ga. sometime between 1825-28. He received three land grants in Madison Co. in 1831 totaling 533 acres. By 1840 he had moved to Stewart Co. and in 1850, he is listed on the census in the Lannahassee Dist. where he died about 1851-53. Jephtha m. first in Fairfield Co., S.C., Nancy Boulware, dau. of Musco Boulware and Nancy Pickett. Six children born in S.C. (1.) Reuben m. 22 Dec. 1831 Martha Simmons in Madison Co.; d. in La. 1847. (2.) Elizabeth m. 18 Aug. 1831 Joel Ford in Madison Co. (3.) Nancy m. — Allen (4.) Catherine m. — McCarty (5.) Jephtha Boulware b. 1820 m. 14 Dec. 1849 Mary Windsor, Stewart Co. (6.) Cassandra or Kisanna b. 1824 m. first — Pickett; second Jonathan Windsor 6 Nov. 1845 in Stewart Co.; third — Durham. Cassandra is said by her descendants to be the first female physician in Georgia, perhaps the whole South. It is said that her father was also a physician. Nancy Boulware Pickett died about 1824-25 and Jephtha m. second Jane Havis McKinney 14 Dec. 1826. They had one child: Jesse Havis Pickett b. 12 Apr. 1828. (See Doctors of the Pickett Family.) Jane died in childbirth and Jephtha m. third Mary Simmons 3 June 1828 in Madison Co. The

only known children of Jephtha and Mary were: (1) John b. 1831; unwed, killed in the War of U.S. & Mex. (2) Martha E. b. 12 Aug. 1830 Mad. Co.; d. 16 Oct. 1907, Young Co. Tex. M. 1847 William C. Beckham. Lived in La., Fla. and Texas. (3) William b. 1842.

John B. Pickett, Jr. m. Elizabeth Boulware, dau. of American Revolutionary Soldier, Musco Boulware, Sr. and his wife Nancy Pickett both born in Virginia. Their son Musco Boulware Pickett b. 19 June 1808 Fairfield Co. S.C.; d. Webster Co. ca 1868, buried Pickett-Brooks Cemetery. Musco m. Jane Arnett Barber, thought to be his cousin, b. 12 July 1817 Fairfield Co. S.C.; d. 1893, buried Cedarwood Cemetery, Richland. They married in S.C. shortly before they came to the Pan Handle Dist. of Stewart County about 1832. Their five children (1) James Barber Pickett b. 8 Apr. 1834; d. 30 Mar. 1883. (2) John Micajah Pickett b. 1836; d. during War Between States. (3) Eliza Pickett b. 1838 m. first — Abrams; second — Hudgins moved to Texas (4) Jane Pickett b. 1840 m. — Benton; he and small baby buried Pickett-Brooks Cemetery. Supposedly remarried and moved to Texas. (5) Eugenia Pickett b. 1844 m. John B. L. Brooks.

\* → James Barber Pickett, oldest son of John B. Pickett, Jr. m. 6 Apr. 1861 Sarah Ann Eliza Brown. (See Benjamin Brown history.) b. 10 May 1845; d. 29 Oct. 1916. Both buried Pickett-Brooks Cemetery. He was a member of Co. I, 17th Reg. Ga. Vol. Infantry, entered 15 Aug. 1861, shot through lungs during Battle of Chancellorsville, Va. 3 May 1863; discharged on disability. A farmer, Mason; gave land and helped build Antioch Baptist Church in Seminole Community. His home made of logs over a century ago, now boarded over, still stands today. Ten children: I. James Musco, II. Charlie Mathis, b. 11 May 1864; d. 29 May 1936 m. Davis Johnston Shippey (See Shippey history.) III. Mary Willie IV. Robert Micajah V. Edgar Napoleon b. 5 Jan. 1869; d. 2 Oct. 1875. VI. Eugene Benjamin. VII. Clarence Ernest. VIII. Maude b. 20 June 1877; d. 29 July 1877. IX. Freddie b. 9 June 1880; d. 22 June 1883 X. Jessie Brown b. 1 Feb. 1883; d. 22 June 1883. The babies and small children that died early are buried in Pickett-Brooks Cemetery.

#### I. James Musco Pickett

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Other children: A. Stewart Pickett b. 29 Sept. 1884; d. 15 Mar. 1957 m. 24 Sept. 1915 Owen Priestly Harrell, Sr. b. 24 Oct. 1858; d. 1946. Two children: 1. Owen Priestly Harrell Jr. b. — m. 5 Sept. 1955 Johnnie Clark. No issue. 2. Clement Pickett Harrell b. —, never married. B. Walter Pickett b. —; d. — m. Ludie Monfort of Marion Co. Six children: 1. Alice m. Risdon Blakey. (See Blakey history.) 2. Horace. 3. Marie. 4. Verna. 5. Helen. 6. Amy Lou. C. Clyde Pickett m. Evie Gordon. Four children: 1. Elmo 2. Clyde, Jr. 3. Ruth 4. Dwight. D. Mary Clem Pickett m. Arnstead Goare. Four children: 1. Madge m. — Gill 2. William Musco 3. Mary Stewart 4. Burnell m. John Lucas.

#### III. Mary Willie Pickett

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## THE CHURCH

The Elbow Hill folks attended the old Presbyterian Church up the ridge and just across the road from the northern end of their place. The church was located there probably on account of the commanding site and the bold spring in the ravine. A few of the old trees of the virgin forest still surround it.

Dr. George Howe, in his book, says: "Wateree or Mount Olivet Church, on the waters of Wateree Creek, was already organized and united in a call to Dr. Thomas McCaule in 1784-85." Before him had preached Rev. Daniel Thatcher of Orange Presbytery.

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In the cemetery the ancient graves of the Revolutionary period are indicated by boulders and slabs of native stone from the fields; there are no dates. The first tomb stones with inscriptions are those of the Turners and Graftons, which date back to the 1790's.

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## ELBOW HILL

The old Indian trail from the Congaree nation to the country of the Catawbias and Cherokees followed the high meandering central ridge which forms the watershed between the Broad and Catawba rivers. The railroad later used this same route. About three miles north of Winnsboro, near the McMaster curve, a branch trail diverged to the right to follow the high ground past Roseland and along the ridge until it nosed out over Beaver Dam Creek. It then dipped down and crossed the stream to climb up a steep elbow shaped spur to the level of the plateau which contains the present Mt. Olivet Church.

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HUGH Apt. 45 Pck. 1601  
Marcey Montgomery applied for admn, 14 July 1783  
on read to his Congregation at Fishing Creek, 17 Augt 1783, by  
am Martin, Minister.  
Massey Montgomery (X), admx., Moses Smith, sec., 17 Sept 1783,  
R. Winn at Winnsborough.

SON, NATHAN Apt 67 Pck 2404  
Bond: Joseph Payne, admr., John Swilly, William Goin, sec., 25  
1785.  
rarrant of appraisement 25 Feb 1785 to William Goin, Malachi Murphey,  
olias Swilly, George Payne and William Nettles.  
actory 10 June 1785 by George Payne, Willim Nettel, Niclas Swillea.

SELL, JOHN Apt. 67 Pck 2402  
William Thompson applied for admn of John Russell, late of  
gree, in right of his wife, Eugenia Thompson, 6 Aug 1785.  
action published by Joseph Rees, 7 Aug 1785.

ENDA:  
ate of Gen. Richard Richardson (Apt. 59 Pck. 2069) should include  
ach of Extx administered to Dorothy Richardson, 8 Dec 1787 by Wm  
onnico, Clarendon County.

estate of William Hay (Apt. 30 Pck. 1088) should include  
ary Hay of Camden District, wife of William Hay send Greeting:  
areas sundry unhappy disputes and irreconcilable differences  
pened and long subsisted between me the said Mary Hay and my said  
band, and finding it therefore necessary for us to live Separate...  
d of two slaves, Carolina and Jane...and other Negro wench Cloe,  
or before 25 Dec 1777, instrument dated 14 Sept 1776...Mary Hay (X)  
: Wm Meyer, Phil Pearson.

estate of John Cunningham (Apt. Pck. 607) had proceedings which  
ntinued in the probate court of York County. The reference for  
se documents is Case 66 File #3144.  
unts paid 1 Nov 1783:  
Jesse Douglass, to Col. H. Hampton, Ordinary for letters, to Alex  
Whorter, James Blair, James Armstrong, Moses Ferguson, John Pattan  
r, to Ara Company [Aetna Iron Works], Prudence Hall, John Eakin,  
iac Faries, James Alexander, John Pursley.  
ventory 24 Sept 1784 by Jas Simral, Alexander McWhorter, Thomas  
urry, sworn before Wm Hill, JP

N. B. The following 20 estates were located in Sumter records.  
Apparently they were transferred from Camden to Sumter at some time.

ATKINSON, JAMES Apt. 119 Pck. 1  
Will of JAMES ATKINSON of St. Mark's Parish, Craven Co.,  
planter...to wife ELIZABETH, the use of the plantation whereon I now  
live on Black River and negroes (named)...to son MARMADUKE ATKINSON,  
negro Ned...to son SHADRACH ATKINSON, negroes (named)...to son  
FEDRICK ATKINSON, negro Simon...to son ADWELL ATKINSON, negro Isaac  
...to the heirs of my daughter MAPTHA LENOIR deceased...to my daugh-  
ter LUCY CROSSWELL...to my daughter ELIZABETH MELONE, negro Winney...  
to my daughter SYLVIA SPIGHT...money due from JOHN McQUEEN...31 Oct  
1785...JAMES ATKINSON (+), Wlt: WILLIAM DAVIS, MATHEW CARTER, REDDEN  
McCOY. Proved by WILLIAM DAVIS before J. ALEXANDER, J. P.  
Inventory Dec. 5, 1786. Shows notes on JOHN McQUEEN and JOHN  
MALONE, made by WILLIAM DAVIS, RICHARD HARVEY, ELIJAH McCOY.  
Warrant of appraised 10 Oct 1786 to WILLIAM DAVIS, RICHARD HARVEY,  
ELIJAH McCOY, and HENRY CASTLES.  
Dedimus to ELIAS DUBOSE to qualify appraisers 28 Apr 1787.  
16 Oct 1786, ELIZABETH ATKINSON declines to serve of the Executrix  
of the will from age and infirmity.

The following letter was found in this package, but probably belongs  
with the estate of JOHN ATKINS (see page 3).  
to Col. HENRY HAMPTON, Nov. 8, 1783. I just inform you that at the  
request of my relatives some time agow I begged for letters of admi-  
nistration on my father's estate, but after I returned home to  
Virginia where I live I understand some of my friends entered a  
cavit (sic).... JOSEPH ATKINS.

BARBER, AGNESS Apt. 119, Pck. 2  
Will of Agness Barber of Watree Creek, Cambden District,  
Craven Co., and St. Mark's Parish...to JOHN BARBER, for the use of my  
three children ROBERT, JAMES and BETHRIDGE BARBER...JOHN BARBER,  
and JOHN CONNER of Watree Creek, Exrs...8 Oct 1784...AGNESS BARBER  
(X) (SEAL). Wlt: THOS JOHNSTON, CHARLES JOHNSTON (+), JOHN JENKINS  
(O). Proven by CHARLES JOHNSTON and JOHN JENKINS, 23 Oct 1784,  
before JNO HARBIRT, J. P.  
Sale 5 Nov 1784; Buyers: ROBERT EWING, BENJA. HARRISON, JAMES ARNETT,  
JOHN SHAINS (?), ELIZABETH LENNOX, JOHN CONNERY, THOS ROBINSON, SAM-  
UEL BARBER, THOS JOHNSTON, ALEXANDER GOYNE, JAMES OWENS, JOHN WINN,  
JOHN McKEOWN, JAMES McCREIGHT, JAMES JOHNSTON, CHARLES LEWIS, THOMAS  
MILES, JARVIS GIBSON, JOHN WATTS, JOHN BARBER, THOS GOODRAM, ALLEN  
GOODRAM, JAMES HOLLIS, EDWARD MORGAN, ISAAC GRAHAM, CHARLES LEWIS,  
JOHN JENKINS. Inventory 2 Nov 1784 by SAMUEL ARMSTRONG (O), JOHN  
WATTS (X), THOS JOHNSTON.  
Warrant of Appraisement to SAMUEL ARMSTRONG, JOHN WATTS, THOMAS  
JOHNSTON, MOSES KNIGHTON, and JOHN KING, 23 Oct 1784.  
(This estate may have been transferred to Sumter by error; it appears  
that the testator lived in what is now Chester or Fairfield County).

BRADLY, SAMUEL Apt. 119 Pck. 3  
Will of SAMUEL BRADLY of Black River, Craven County...2 Jan  
1778...to my son JAMES BRADLEY, 250 A adj. WILLIAM ROBERTS in a place  
called Long branch & Negroes (named)...to son ROGER BRADLEY, 3 negroes  
(named), 150 A on a Swamp called Scape Whore, plat dated 12 Sept 1767  
...to my daughter MARY CARTER, negroes (named)...to my daughter  
JENNET WILSON, 5 negroes (named)...to son SAMUEL BRADLEY, 3 tracts,  
2 of 150 A and one of 500 A opposite to tract on which I now live,  
when he reaches 21...to son MOSES BRADLEY, tract of 250 A on which my  
house stands & 150 A adj. JAMES BRADLY SR., but not to have posses-  
sion until the decease of my wife, until he reaches 21...to daughter  
ELIZABETH, tract adj. to me and JAMES BRADLY, originally JOHN TOM-  
LENSON, now JOHN DICKEY & ROSE LLOYD, between ROBERT ELISON, & negroes  
(named), when she becomes 21 or marries...to wife ELIZABETH, tract  
on which my house now stands & negroes (named)...b 200 to my niece  
ELIZABETH BRADLEY, daughter of ARTHUR BRADLEY...wife ELIZABETH, sons  
JAMES & ROGERS & Brothers JAMES & THOMAS BRADLEY, DAVID WILSON &  
ROGER WILSON, Exrs...SAMUEL BRADLEY (SEAL), Wlt: MOSES GORDON, THOMAS  
REESE, JOHN SHAW, JNO DICKEY. Proven by MOSES GORDON 14 Aug 1782,



**Fairfield County Museum**

*File Barber family file*

**From:** JoAnn Barber [jobabybarber@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 12, 2011 1:29 PM  
**To:** fairfieldmus@truvista.net  
**Subject:** Fairfield Co.visit / Barber family info

Hello Pelham, my name is JoAnn Barber and I spoke with you last week via phone in regard to an upcoming visit I am planning to Winsboro to do some investigating into my family history. The following is a bit of family information that you requested so that you might be able to 'point me in the right direction'.

First American Barber ancestor, John L. Barber came to America with his brother, James, prior to 1790. They had two brothers already in the United States: and I think those brothers were Nathaniel and William. They first settled in Chester, SC and then moved to Fairfield District, SC and in 1839 moved on to Chambers Co., Alabama. Not sure if the brother in the US could have not have been Samuel Barber who came on the Lord Don Luce with the Rev. William Martin group arriving in Jan of 1773.

John L. Barber had at least five tracts of land containing 364 acres on the Wateree River where he lived in SC for about 47 years and raised his family. The family home was just six miles east of Winnsboro.

John L. Barber's tombstone marker is engraved as follows:

Born 1770 in Glenwherry, County Antrim, Ireland  
Married Sarah Carmichael, Chester S.C. 1790  
Immigrated to Fairfield District S.C. 1791  
Removed to this state in 1839  
Died 3rd July 1848, age 78 years

My big question to solve involves Sarah Carmichael. We cannot find any record of their marriage or the place of her death and her final resting place. There is no evidence that suggest she was living when they came to Alabama and John L. Barber's will list his widow as being Margert. She (Margaret) is burried in Alabama. We do know of one John Barber in Fairfield who had a wife by the name of Margaret and she signed away her dower right to her home on 31st Dec.1838 about the time John moved to Alabama. Where and what happened to Sarah??

2nd question: Is this line of Barbers connected to Samuel Barber who came in 1773?

3rd question: Is there any remaining evidence of the Barber homestead six miles east of Winnsboro?

Im sorry for being so long winded but I tryed to be as conscise as I could. There is much mystery surrounding Sarah Carmichael some of it quite interesting involving family lore handed down about her being the daughter of Marie Antoinette and Louis XVI or Madam Royale and the fact that there is so much mystery makes it more interesting. You may have come across this with some other researchers and already know this but if you are interested I can send you a more detail history that I have.

Pelham thanks in advance for any direction you might give me. My time there will be short (maybe just a couple of days) and I appreciate any help you might provide. I look foward to meeting you and I will be in touch with a more concise date soon but it looks like my visit will be somewhere between Sept 2nd and the 7th.

Thanks again,

JoAnn Barber

~JoAnn~



Check me out!

couplings with the view of seeing whether they all were interchangeable or not. The wisdom of this was demonstrated yesterday. "The News" wonders if all these towns become connected with hard surfaced highways if they could not, through cooperation save something to the citizens by way of reduction in fire insurance rates.

### **Roofs Guarded**

Throughout the business sections volunteers, sales peoples and others went to the roofs of the stores for the purpose of putting out any small fires that might occur from flying embers. Several times the roof of the Heyman Building, near the City Hall, was put out. One or two awnings over windows on nearby buildings were burned.

There were no prisoners in the city jail; however Chief of Police Grant carefully examined the city's cells before leaving the building to make sure that no human life would be sacrificed.

### **Insurance**

It would be rather hard at this time to estimate the loss to the city. However many are of the opinion that the replacement value of the building and contents will amount to 50 to 60 thousand dollars. It is said that the city carried 12 thousand dollars insurance on the building. The Chester Library lost many valuable books, but carried \$1500.00 insurance.

Soon After the fire started Charlotte newspapers were notified and a representative from "The Charlotte News" and also "The Charlotte Observer" were sent to Chester. Along with them came Mr. Palmer, Chief of the Charlotte Fire Department. The Charlotte Chief commended the Chester and Rock Hill fireman for their work and stated that they did a good job in confining the blaze to the City Hall. The last edition of "The Charlotte News" yesterday afternoon carried a large head line across the top of the page again giving Chester first place in the head lines which we lost on July 9<sup>th</sup> at the end of the King trial, after having swung to it for a period of ten days.

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Agness Barber

Exrs. John Barber and John Conner of Wateree Creek. 8 October 1784

Wit. Thomas Johnston

Charles Johnston

John Henkins

Proven by Charles Johnston and John Jenkins 23 Oct. 1784 before Jno. Harbirt, J. P.