

The Caldwell Family.

Among the oldest of the present familiar family names in Spartanburg County is the Caldwell family, nearly all of whom descended from John and Mary Caldwell who came from Scotland and settled a little west or north west of where Nazareth Church now stands in Dixie County. They formed a part of the Early Scotch-Irish Settlement on the Tygers.

John Caldwell secured the King's grant to a tract of land, and he owned and gave the land on which Nazareth Presbyterian Church now stands. The first worship there was in 1761 and the first church was built in 1765. There have been three church buildings in all - two before the present one.

John Caldwell married Mary Young and they had one son William (born in Belfast), when they emigrated to this country.

John & Mary lived and died on their plantation near the old church. John did not die a natural death. While he was old and infirm, he wanted

to water the horse, his family insisted on his not doing it, but he rode the horse anyway and fell receiving injuries from which he died.

His wife survived him some time until ^{they} her son's fifth child was born and she named him John Huey.

They had 6 children in all, William (born in Belfast) Huey, John, Sam and Andrew also one girl who married a Coan in Revolutionary times.

Their nearest neighbor was said to be three miles - the boys had to hide from the Tories. One day John was put on a horse and started to warn the neighbors that the Tories were coming. Later the horse came home without him and they knew something had happened to him. His mother and one of his brothers started to search for him. His brother going through the woods while his mother followed the road. They had gone about two miles when they found him, where the Tories had scalped him and left

him. His Mother carried him home in her arms - a lad of fourteen years. He lingered until the next a.m. and was buried in Nazareth Church yard (being the first ~~person~~^{body} buried there). Her husband slept in the ives when at home with the boys and she had a signal to give when the Tories were about.

Andrew Caldwell, the fifth son married Rosannah Hughes and they had the following children:

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| John Young Caldwell | born | Jan. 15, | 1806. |
| Mary Ann | " | Jan. 28, | 1809. |
| Violet Minerva | " | Aug. 3, | 1812. |
| Jane Caroline | " | Aug. 11, | 1815. |
| Margaret Peden | " | Mar. 12, | 1818. |
| Rosannah | " | Apr. 22, | 1820. |
| Catherine | " | July 2, | 1822. |
| William P. | " | May 20, | 1824. |

Rosannah Hughes mother of the above children was born Mar. 1, 1786.

Her brothers were:

John Hughes - born ~~on~~ Nov. 28, 1775
Robert Miller Hughes. born Sept. 15, 1789.

John Y Caldwell the eldest of the above children married Eliza

Jane Brown, an orphan who lived with her uncle Peter Adams near Fountain Inn. She was born Apr. 1, 1808. John Young was teaching school at a place called Brown's Meeting house when he met her and married her.

They had the following children:
Andrew J Caldwell born June 7, 1834
who married Isabelle W. Simmons

Rosa Caldwell who married Wings
and lived near Spartanburg.

John J Caldwell who married Mattie
Carver and lived at Fairforest

Margaret Anne who was burned
to death when a girl.

Kate Caldwell married James Brown
and lived near Sandrum.

Minerva Caldwell married R.A. Walden
and lived ^{at} near Fairforest.

William S Caldwell married Della
and lived near Compton
and later in the city of Sp'tbg.