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OF

FAIRFIELD COUNTY

SOUTH CAROLINA

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Hills and the "Cage" and Cullen branches of the Mobley family owned with the exception of a few small tracts, all that whole country. Dr. W. M. Meador and his boys, Dr. Lem and John Meadors, representatives of the last named families, own a portion of the land lying on Beaver Creek and between McClures Creek and the river and north to the Chesterfield (?) line. In this section lived the Nevetts, Jenkins, Sheltons, Newbles, Chapmans, and, later, Andrew McConnell, who bought the plantation now owned by J. F. V. Legg from Maj. Wm. G. Lyles. McConnell was a poor boy, but when he died was the possessor of thousands of acres of land and more than 100 slaves. J. F. V. Legg married his widow and now lives at the old homestead. Further north we had Meredith Poole Meador, who owned the place occupied by Laurens Feaster. Allen (Alben ?) Boulware owned a large tract of land on Broad River. Stephen Crosby lived near the line and owned land in both Chester and Fairfield counties. His oldest son, Thomas, married a Miss Parks, and their son, Charley Crosby, now owns nearly all of the land that was his father's and grandfather's. The next son, Coleman Crosby, married a Miss Walker, of Chester County. He was the father of Mrs. Dr. Estes and W. W. Crosby. Wm. Crosby married a Thomas and raised a large family of children. Devis Crosby was quite popular and represented the county in the Legislature. Stephen Crosby married Frances, the oldest daughter of Cornelius Nevitt. He bought from the late Gov. John H. Means the place now owned by his only child, Mrs. D. P. Crosby. It is one of the prettiest places in the up-country. One of old Stephen Crosby's daughters married Charles Douglass, who lived and died near Alston. Richard Crosby, Uncle "Dick" as he was called, married a Conway, and lived to a ripe old age. He and Jacob Stone, his nearest neighbor, were called by the wags of the neighborhood the "Siamese Twins". They always went to Chester and Columbia together, and returned home with their jugs full. They were thrifty and enterprising farmers. It was said by the wags that they did not know what Andy Feaster Colvias boys would have done for wives if "Uncle Dick" had not raised

and his eyes are as bright, and his step apparently as firm as ever.

John Feaster, son of Andrew Feaster, was the founder of Feasterville Academy, and donated  $7\frac{1}{2}$  acres of land to Liberty Church, and  $5\frac{1}{2}$  acres to the Academy. Tradition says that John Feaster had the first glass windows in the township. Thomas Coleman lived and died on the premises now occupied by D. F. Feaster, and was the owner of the first brick chimney north of Beaver Creek. The Chapmans were a numerous and prominent family on McClures Creek. They have all left except Giles Chapman and the widow and children of John Chapaan, who owned the old Halsellville property, just beyond the line in Chester County.

Cornelius Nevitt, of whom mention has already been made, had three sons, two of whom are now living. Cornelius ~~Nevery~~ now resides at Brooksville, Fla.; Joseph K. is living near the old homestead; Jack was killed at Knoxville, Tenn., in December 1863; Frances, his eldest daughter, married Stephen Crosby, Precious Ann married Frances H. Ederington, and Brooks married Lanson (?) Withers, then Oliver Waters, then Rev. Mrs. Moore, of North Carolina. Mrs. L. E. Fee is her daughter by her first marriage. Laura, the youngest, married Wm. McWhorter, and live in North Carolina. Charlie Waters, her eldest son by her second marriage, married Miss Fannie D. Kerr, daughter of Wm. Kerr, who resides near Shelton, S. C.

On the headwaters of McClures Creek lived old Henry Tynes. Of the "Cage", ~~and~~ Cullen, and Isham Mobley families, their name was legion. The Crowders were from North Carolina, and were as numerous as the Mobleys. Notly Mobley was the "bully" of the precinct. Big John Cockerel was the "bully" of the White Oak section. He determined he would try manhood with Mobley, but Notly was of a slow and sluggish disposition and had to have coals of fire heaped upon his back before he would move. Cockerel told him he came there to whip him or be whipped. ~~When~~ Uncle Isham Mobley couldnot stand it any longer, and

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