

**JULIAN ELLIOTT, FORMER
EDITOR OF NEWS AND
HERALD**

Mr. Elliott was born January 25, 1858 in Winnsboro. He was the son of James McKinney and Ann Black Elliott. His father was one of the foremost citizens of Winnsboro in his day, and was regarded as the town philosopher. A no more respected man lived in the town. His associates were Gen. John Bratton, Geo. H. McMaster, Capt. Henry Gailliard, Prof. Means Davis, Capt. Charles Dwight and a number of other men of ante-Confederate war type, high minded and patriotic, who gathered summer afternoons and winter evenings to discuss the topics of the day. William Julian Elliott as a boy was a frequent listener at the discussions of his elders. He imbibed their principles and was moved by their high and patriotic motives.

In "Reconstruction times" he with such contemporaries as Thomas H. Ketchin, Thomas K. Elliott, W. J. McCarley, James Davis, and these and other brave and daring spirits preserved the peace and controlled the destinies of Winnsboro and Fairfield county for civilization, though the forces of evil outnumbered them three to one.

Was Once Editor

Mr. Elliott received his education at Mt. Zion Academy in Winnsboro and was for some years the editor of The Winnsboro News and Herald. He loved his town and county and was saturated with its traditions. To his death he took the liveliest interest in the affairs of Fairfield county, and had been often urged to write a history of the county. He did write a number of reminiscences which were published in The News and Herald and other newspapers.

He has been a resident of Columbia for more than twenty years. Here he was engaged as the representative of several gin manufacturing con-

cerns and subsequently as an appraiser of lands for the British-American Mortgage company, being at the same time engaged in the sale of farm lands.

Health Failed

Three or four years ago his health failed and he retired to his home on Monticello road, and while not confined to the house he did not stay far from it.

He was a man who loved company and about him constantly gathered a congenial company who drew upon his memories and knowledge of men and manners. He was a delightful companion, full of anecdotes and kindly references. There was no bitterness in his soul. He was a sincere Christian, believing and practicing forgiveness, without malice and with charity for all.

He was an elder of the Associate Reformed church of Columbia, and was a devoted member of that congregation, in which he was active until his health failed.

Mr. Elliott's father, James McKinney Elliott was married twice, first to Miss Elizabeth Buchanan, by whom there were two children, one of them, Miss Elizabeth Elliott, a teacher of note in Texas for years, and a son, John Elliott, one of the first youthful soldiers from Fairfield to give his life for the Confederacy.

By his father's second marriage to Miss Ann Black there were nine children, seven of whom lived to be adults, but only one of whom, Henry C. Elliott of Winnsboro, survives the deceased.

Julian Elliott, as he was familiarly known married Miss Minnie Lee Evans of Fairfield, April 4, 1889. Of this marriage four children are now living: Joseph McKinney, John Evans, and Misses Mary and Elizabeth Elliott all of Columbia. There are