W.J. ELLIOTT IS FOUND DEAD

Succumbs to Self-Inflicted Wound.

William Julian Elliott, 71, prominent resident of North Columbia, was found dead with a pistol wound in his head about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon by his son, Joseph Elliott and two neighbors.

Mr. Elliott, who made his home at 4601 Monticello road, was missed about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon from the residence. His sons and neighbors started a search for him which resulted in the finding of his body in an old tenant house situated about 100 yards to the rear of the family residence.

Coroner W.A. McCain and Deputy Sheriff William T. Thompson, were called to the scene and decided that no inquest would be necessary.

Mr. Elliott had been in bad health for the past five years and was known to have suffered from melancholia at intervals.

He was born in Winnsboro January 25, 1858, his father being James McKinney Elliott, who married Ann Black of Charlotte. There were 11 children and eight brothers, of whom only one, Henry C. Elliott of Winnsboro, survives.

Mr. Elliott married Miss Minnie Lee Evans of Monticello in 1889. He is survived by four sons and daughters: Joseph McKinney Elliott, John Evans Elliott, Miss Mary Elliott and Miss Elizabeth Wilson Elliott. Three grandchildren also survive.

Coming to Columbia a number of years ago, Mr. Elliott was appraiser for the British American Mortgage company. He later represented cotton gins and manufacturing concerns. Recently he dealt in farm lands and insurance. He was an elder in the Associated Reformed Presbyterian church of Columbia.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 Monday afternoon at the residence and will be conducted by the Rev. Robert C. Betts. Interment will be in the Associated Reformed Presbyterian churchyard at Winnsboro at 4:30 and services at the grave will be conducted by the Rev. Oliver Johnson of Winnsboro. Pallbearers will be announced later.

Mr. Elliott had a wide circle of friends and was a prominent member of a large and prominent family. His passing will be generally regretted.

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