

## **“HOMEPLACE”**

**(BUILT IN 1830)**

**The plantation house, located in the northeastern part of Fairfield County, was built in 1830 by Laban Hall. This is according to direct line relative, Russell S. Hall, who has done extensive research into the Hall and Gladden families. In 1846 Laban Hall sold the home and land to his brother, Dr. William E. Hall, who was a physician. Dr. Hall owned the house for over 20 years.**

**In 1867 Dr. Hall, who had named the plantation “Homeplace”, sold the house and some 800 acres to Jesse A. Gladden who was a nephew. When Jesse Alexander Gladden died in 1897 the property went to his wife, Sarah Gayden Gladden. Sarah decided to leave “Homeplace” and move into Winnsboro. She lived in what is now known as the Gladden home located behind the Methodist Church. Her sons stayed on at the old home place and farmed the land.**

**Bratton Gladden (son of Jesse A. and Sarah) and his wife, Janie Todd Gladden, were the last residents to live in the old house. The residence was set afire in 1950 by a disgruntled farm hand, Nate Sanders. He was subsequently convicted of arson and served time for his crime. Although the old house burned to ground the old brick and a few large trees still mark the spot where the dwelling stood.**

**Submitted by:**

**Lucy Keefer (GDO Lucille Gladden McDowell)**

