Old Homes of South Carolina

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J. S. JACKSON HOUSE

124 York Street

The modest white frame house at 124 York in Chester is one of the town's most unusual. It has a Greek Revival porch with square posts built at the edge of the sidewalk. The steps are at one end. Latticed balustrades were not often used during this period in South Carolina, but there are three homes in Chester, including the Jackson House, using this feature. Brick chimneys flank each end of the home. The windows are six over six with plantation-style shutters. Several years ago when the house was refloored, it was discovered that the foundation was of tree trunks that still had the bark on them.

The kitchen was built with wooden pins and located in the backyard. The wooden pins were revealed when the kitchen was moved to join the main house. Mr. R. C. West bought the lot in 1855, and William T. Robinson then built the home on this lot. Later owners were Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Jackson, by whose name the house is known.

This is a private residence.

