

DEATH OF MR. W. S. WEIR

In the death of Mr. Wm. S. Weir Tuesday morning, Winnsboro has lost another of its oldest citizens and from its streets has passed a familiar figure. He was born not far beyond the town limits and spent his life here. He was not an old man—just 67 years of age. Endowed with a good physical constitution and blessed with good health, he knew little of pain and suffering until the last two years of his life. Up to a few hours before his death he was at his place of business. He had complained for several days but little did any think the end was so near.

In the business world he had been a farmer and he knew how to have the earth yield its bounty. It was here that his genius was at its best but like other tillers of the soil he had his reverses and the last few years was given to a business in town.

In his young manhood he was married to Miss Mary Elizabeth Wylie who preceded him to the grave by some ten years. To them were born two children, Mrs. Joe Elliott, of Greenville, S. C., and Mrs. Wiley Penn, of Savannah, Ga. He had two sisters. The one was the first Mrs. H. G. Wylie and the other is Mrs. J. C. Stewart, late of the Longtown section, now of Augusta, Ga.

Mr. Weir, as this writer knew him, was a quiet man, good and true to all his friends. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and was buried from its edifice Wednesday morning in the Presbyterian cemetery.

LAST RITES TUESDAY 3-7-30 FOR BLAIR WOMAN

Funeral services for Mrs. Sallie Lyles Feaster, widow of John C. Feaster, who died at Blairs Monday, were held at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, conducted by her pastor, Rev. J. P. Isenhower, assisted by Rev. Sproles Lyon. She was interred in the family burial ground near the residence.

Mrs. Feaster was the second daughter of Maj. William S. Lyles, a signer of the Ordinance of Secession, who died in 1862. She was educated at the school of Misses Jane and Sophia Reynolds in Columbia and at Lime-stone Springs. Her great-grandfather, Aromanus Lyles, was the first white child born in Fairfield county and was a colonel in the Revolutionary war. He also served in the legislature which ratified the United States constitution. Her mother was Sallie Woodward and her grandmother, Mary Woodward, both descendants of Thomas Woodward, the Regulator.

She was a woman of much charm and high intelligence, devoted to the Confederacy and to the ideals of the South. She was a faithful Christian and a member of Rock Creek Baptist church for more than 70 years. She was greatly loved by the people of her neighborhood.

Surviving her are one adopted daughter, Mrs. Gussie Salyer Crowder; Mrs. Crowder's husband, Ben D. Crowder, with whom she lived; one brother, William H. Lyles, of Columbia; her nephew, Melvin L. Kinard; nieces, Mrs. Miriam Kinard Wildin-son and Miss Susie Kinard; cousins, Mrs. J. M. Mobley, Mrs. Charles F. Bradford, James S. Lyles, Mrs. Sarah R. Dyer, Mrs. W. A. Cuntz and a grand-niece, Mrs. Ira T. Kala,

MR. GEORGE L. BRAY KILLED

IN COLLISION WITH TRAIN

Mr. George Lamar Bray was in- tently killed Monday night in a col- lision with a freight train as he crossed the tracks while going to home at Rockton, three miles north of Winnsboro. Mr. Bray was one of the most successful farmers in the county, being especially known for his intensive practices such as soil building, seed selection and plant- ing. He was also an employee of the Winnsboro postoffice, being the highly esteemed carrier of R. F. D.

The community was shocked to hear of the accident which occurred at 7:15, Monday, December 2nd. From the testimony of the train crew it has been ascertained that the engine which hit him was part of a train which had been left near Ridge- way, only the engine making the trip to Winnsboro to get water. It was learned that a neighbor had advised Mr. Bray to go to Winnsboro to get a member of the family who was having car trouble. The Bray family is just across the railway tracks at Rockton, and after accom- modating the neighbor, Mr. Bray was returning home when the accident oc- curred.

An inquest was held by Coroner I. Gibson on Tuesday, Dec. 3rd, a jury being composed of Messrs. Lee Scruggs, J. A. Turner, J. F. Hart, J. D. Bailey, H. E. Mat- thews and J. W. Horne. After hear- ing testimony from the train crew and other witnesses the following

verdict was given: "That George L. Bray came to his death by being hit by engine No. 4834, train No. 82, of the Southern Railway, at Rockton, S. C., about 7:15 P. M. on December 2, 1929. In view of testimony we find that it was an unavoidable acci- dent."

No man in the county had a finer reputation for character, integrity and conservatism both in speech and conduct. All his actions were temp- ered with good judgement. He was of that rare type "Whose word was as good as their bond." Reserved and conservative, his sterling quali- ties were not always at first recog- nized, but once known commanded respect and affection.

Mr. Bray is survived by his widow and the following sisters and broth- ers: Mrs. J. R. Carson of Chester, Nicholas Bray of Charlotte, R. V. Bray of Beaufort, William Bray of Jacksonville, Fla., and Tom Bray of Myrtle Beach. He was 56 years old.

The funeral was held from the Zion Presbyterian church in Winns- boro, of which he was a member on Wednesday. The services were con- ducted by the Revs. G. G. Mayes and Oliver Johnson, of Winnsboro, W. P. Peyton of Rock Hill and J. O. Mann. The pallbearers were members of Winnsboro Lodge No. 11, A. F. M., of which he was a member. Inter- ment followed at the Old and hal- lowed Presbyterian cemetery, the rites being in charge of the Masons.

Due West Telescope please copy.

DIED, at his residence, from extreme age, Yala- busha county, Mississippi, on June the 18th, RICH- ARD NASON, in the eighty-sixth year of his age. The deceased was born in Cork county, Ireland, 1776, and moved to America in 1801, and subse- quently settled in Fairfield district, South Caro- lina.

When a young man he joined Salem church, (Little River,) and not long after was ordained a ruling elder in that church, which office he filled till he moved to Mississippi. Not finding a church to meet his desires, he and a few others of like mind built Hope church in 1851. Here he was a regular attendant and a ruling elder as long as he had bodily strength.

He was naturally warm-hearted, kindly dis- posed, sociable in his disposition and strongly at- tached to his friends, and by grace a true friend to the kingdom of God, and often manifested a love for Christians of every name, and while de- cidedly attached to his own denomination, he en- joyed the religious service of others. He was op- posed to the fault-finding disposition so common among different denominations of Christians, pos- sessed the grace of charity to a high degree. He was a fast friend of the Bible cause, and liberally sustained the American Bible Society from its be- ginning in the land, and did much to circulate the precious Word in his own and adjoining neighborhoods, labored much as a Sabbath-school teacher, and was much interested in all the efforts made to extend the Redeemer's kingdom through- out the world. Possessing respectable means, through a long life he was systematically benevo- lent and very ready to respond liberally to extra calls for help. He was a strong advocate of the religious instruction of the colored people, and did much to train his own servants in the fear of the Lord.

For the last two years his bodily strength gradually failed, and finally he died from extreme age; but though his body became weak, yet his mind was clear, and his faith strong in the Re- deemer to the last; and now we have his long, useful, and exemplary life before us, and truly we can say, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth, that they may rest from their labors, and their works do follow them. And that the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

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all of Columbia. She is also sur- vived by a grand-nephew, James P. Goodlett, of Dawkins.

Her neighbors, W. H. Long, J. B. Frasier, Jr., D. R. Coleman, Jr., F. F. Suber, J. L. Hill, and James Crow- der, were active pallbearers.

JOHN T. NELSON, of Fairfield district, died at the College Hospital, Columbia, South Carolina, on July 10, of fever, aged about thirty-three years.

He was a member of company H, Capt Whit- ner, James' battalion, and had been in service several months on the coast. Some years ago he joined the Associate Reformed church, Winns- boro, now under the pastoral charge of Rev. C. Betts, of which he lived a consistent member.

Having had the privilege of visiting him often during his affliction, we can say, that though im- pressed with the belief that he would die, and often spoke of it, still the enemy found him trust- ing in God. He prayed continually to his Father in heaven, and found Him precious to his soul. Death had no terrors to him. In reading to him the 23d Psalm, he replied, "I love to read that." But he has gone.

"Yes, the Christian's course is rup, Ended is the glorious strife Fought the fight, the work is done, Death is swallowed up of life."

He leaves a wife and several children, besides an aged mother, and his entire company, by whom he was greatly beloved, to mourn their irreparable loss. May the Lord bind up the broken hearts.

OBITUARY.

Color-Sergeant JOHN W. RABB, son of J. Glazier and Nancy R. Rabb, 6th Regiment S. C. V., fell gloriously on the bloody field of June 20, while bearing the flag of his regiment in the charge on the enemy's battery, aged 21 years.

He answered promptly the first call of his Stat- for volunteers, enlisted in the Boyce Guards, was present at the fight on Hall's Hill, and in the bat- tle of Branesville, Williamsburg, Seven Pines, Gaines' Mills, and in that which proved his last. Of an amiable, frank and generous temper, he was golden opinions from every one, while his distinguished gallantry as color-bearer in three battles commanded the admiration of his regi- ment.

He was struck on the head in the battle of Sev- en Pines by a ball which first cut off the flag-staff, and one month later a more fatal aim buried a bul- let in his gallant bosom. Noble boy! he sleeps in a soldier's grave on the field of battle—his shroud a blanket, and his tombstone a simple board marked with his name; but Johnny has left in the hearts of those who knew him a monument more enduring than marble or brass—the imper- ishable memory of an unspotted character, a blameless life and a hero's death.

MRS. FRED ANN FRIDY

George Ann Douglas was born Oc- tober 2, 1850, and departed from us at 7 o'clock May 6, 1929. Her girl- hood days were spent in her old home in the Mount Pleasant section of Richland county, where she mar- ried Thomas Fridy, a widower with several children, three of whom still survive: E. G. Fridy of Palatka, Fla., Lever Fridy of Florida and Mrs. S. D. Martin of Greenville, to whom the deceased was a sympathetic and devoted mother. After marriage she moved over to the Fridy estate in upper Richland and upon the break- ing up of the old home, to the home of her son, L. D. Fridy in Fairfield. To this union were born a happy fam- ily of children, of whom the surviv- ing are L. D. Fridy and Miss Hattie of the Bethel section of Fairfield; T. Hayward Fridy of Temple, Texas, and A. S. Fridy of upper Richland. One brother survives, William A. Douglas of Richland, and seven of her own grandchildren and 21 step- grandchildren, of whom Mrs. Tracy W. Munnerlyn of Shandon is one.

Little George Douglas joined the church at the old Camp Ground in her early girlhood and at marriage brought her membership to Cedar Creek, where she was a member for over 50 years, being also a charter member of the Cedar Creek Wom- an's Missionary society, organized in 1880.

She lived an exemplary life and wrought out life's problems well.

SERVICES TODAY FOR T. D. RUFF

Last Rites at 11:30 From A. R. P. Church.

Funeral services for Thomas Dou- glas Ruff, 56, who died at his late residence, 2019 Park street, early Wed- nesday morning, will be held at 11:30 this morning from the Associate Re- formed Presbyterian church with the pastor, the Rev. R. C. Betts, D.D., in charge. Interment will be in Elmwood cemetery.

Mr. Ruff, who was president of Ruff Hardware company which was or- ganized by him in 1909, was a mem- ber of the first graduating class of Clemson college.

Born in Fairfield county, the son of Silas W. Ruff, he moved to Colum- bia in 1900 and held a position with T. B. Aughtry and company. Follow- ing this he organized his own busi- ness, of which he was president un- til his death. Because of ill health he had not actively engaged in the business for the past four years.

He was a Mason, and for the past 20 years an officer of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church.

Mr. Ruff was twice married, his first wife being Miss Cordie B. An- derson. From this union the follow- ing sons and daughters survive: Thomas K. Ruff of Columbia, S. Douglas Ruff of Charlotte, Misses Sara and Cordie Ruff of Columbia, Mrs. Marion Killingsworth, Pontiac, Mich. His second marriage was to Miss Roberta Roseborough, who sur- vives him. From this union he leaves the following Silas P. Ruff and Mrs. W. H. Stuart of Columbia and Mrs. Fletcher Wright of Lykesland.

Serving as active pallbearers will be: B. M. Lemmond, J. B. Murphy, H. H. Hinnant, J. M. Arnold, Dr. C. B. Draffin and Dr. E. C. Draffin.

The honorary pallbearers will be the officers of his church and the following: Thomas H. Thompson, Lee Scruggs, John C. Lott, R. R. Macfie, W. H. Macfie, Dr. Eugene Zemp, Dr. J. T. Quattlebaum, S. M. McMaster, George B. McMaster, Dr. S. F. Kill- ingsworth, Joe Elliott, Dr. C. Fred Williams, T. W. Ruff, Thomas Taylor, R. C. Shane, John W. Portrum, L. A. Roseborough, L. E. Leitner, FitzHugh McMaster, C. E. Hinnant, J. M. Steel and R. C. Arnold.

In Mr. Ruff's death Columbia has lost one of its most valuable, sub- stantial citizens. Upstanding, kind, generous and true, he made friends, and kept them and his death has caused widespread sorrow.