

NEWSPAPER ABSTRACTS FROM  
"THE ABBEVILLE BANNER"  
Abbeville, South Carolina  
for  
FEBRUARY 1856 and MARCH 1856

NEWSPAPER Issue of Thursday, FEBRUARY 7, 1856

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Abbeville District

Court of Ordinary

Whereas, Francis ARNOLD has applied for Letters of Administration on the goods, chattels, rights and credits of William BUCHANAN, late of the State of Louisiana, deceased. This is therefore to cite all the kindred and creditors of said dec'd to appear at the Court of Ordinary for the said district, to be held at the Abbeville courthouse on the fifteenth day of February next, to show cause, if any, why the said administration should not be granted. This thirty-first day of January, 1856. William Hill, Ordinary of Abbeville District

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NEWSPAPER Issue of Thursday, FEBRUARY 14, 1856

MARRIAGES

Married on the 13th of December 1855, by Rev. W.P. Martin, Mr. James S. PRATT to Miss Mary Kirkpatrick, eldest daughter of the widow Jane Kirkpatrick, all of this district.

Married by Rev. W.P. Martin on the 20th of December, 1855, Capt. J.J. SHIRLEY to Miss Frances A.E. MATTISON, daughter of Wm. Mattison, all of Anderson district.

Married by Rev. W.P. Martin on the 10th ult., Capt. John C. HAMILTON of Pickens district to Miss Mary, third daughter of David RODGERS, of Anderson district.

Married by Rev. W.P. Martin on the 31st ult., Mr. J.C. BROCK to Miss Elizabeth S., second daughter of the widow Elizabeth COX, all of Anderson district.

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Abbeville District

Court of Ordinary

Whereas, M.E. WALKER has applied for Letters of Administration on the goods, chattels, rights and credits of Croskey R. WALKER, late of said district, deceased. This is therefore to cite all the kindred and creditors of said dec'd to appear at the Court of Ordinary for the said district, to be held at the Abbeville courthouse on the 26th day of February next, to show cause, if any, why the said administration should not be granted. This 11th of February, 1856. William Hill, Ordinary of Abbeville District

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NEWSPAPER Issue of Thursday, FEBRUARY 21, 1856

#### MELANCHOLY ACCIDENT

Yesterday evening, Mr. John SEIGLER, a young man residing some fifteen miles above this place, had started out home and when about half a mile from town, his horse took fright and ran with him, and in order to escape, he leaped from his buggy and though lighting upon his feet, fell backwards and was instantly killed, the force of the fall bursting the back part of his head. The Edgefield Informer, the 14th inst.

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NEWSPAPER Issue of Thursday, FEBRUARY 28, 1856

#### A HOMICIDE

A rencountre took place in this village on Monday the 4th inst., between W.P. JONES and William D. THURMOND, in which the latter received several severe blows on the head, which, fracturing the skull, resulted in his death on Thursday the 14th. We do not know the facts further than stated and therefore cannot give them. We suppose they will be elicited by the approaching court of sessions, as it is understood, that Mr. Jones who has not been arrested, will be brought to trial. The Edgefield Informer, the 21st inst.

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#### MARRIAGES

Married on the 14th inst., by the Rev. James M. Chiles, Thos. J. ADAMS of Edgefield to Miss Mary Ida, daughter of Thos. CHATHAM Of Greenwood, Abbeville District.

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#### DIED

Died on the 12th inst., Mrs. Eliza M. KENNEDY, wife of M.B. KENNEDY, and

daughter of William BARKSDALE, in the twenty-sixth year of her age. Several years since, the deceased became a member of the Presbyterian church at Providence and she has since exemplified by a consistent life, the doctrine she professed. She and her babe both lie in one coffin; but those left behind feel assured that their irreparable loss is her eternal gain.

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Abbeville District

Court of Ordinary

Whereas, David F. HILL has applied for Letters of Administration on the goods, chattels, rights and credits of J. Foster HILL, late of said district, deceased. This is therefore to cite all the kindred and creditors of said dec'd to appear at the Court of Ordinary for the said district, to be held at the Abbeville courthouse on the 10th day of March next, to show cause, if any, why the said administration should not be granted. This 22nd day of February, 1856. William Hill, Ordinary of Abbeville District

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NEWSPAPER Issue of Thursday, MARCH 6, 1856

MARRIAGES

Married on the 13th ult., by Rev. David Wills, Col. John D. WILLIAMS of Laurens to Miss Anna Eliza BARNETT of Abbeville district.

Married on the 21st ult., by Rev. W.P. Martin, Mr. David A. GREER of Anderson district to Miss D. Adaline, daughter of Capt. N.R. REEVE, of this district.

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OBITUARIES

DIED, on the 22nd ult., near Warrenton in this District, Mrs. Nancy Woodrow BROOKS, daughter of Andrew GILLESPIE. Her disease was a malignant Typhoid affliction; she languished for seventy-six days and died in the 25th year of her age.

The deceased was a member of the Presbyterian church and a woman of extraordinary piety. She was remarkable for the constancy and ardour with which she studied the bible. Her pious temper and her amiable manners rendered her an object of affection to all who knew her.

She was perfectly and calmly resigned to die; it did not cost her a struggle

to meet the king of terrors, except that it involved the sundering of sweet domestic ties; death was even a welcome guest. She was able to part from the dearest earthly objects, from venerable parents, from a devoted husband, from tender babes, without a murmur, almost without a tear, not that she loved them less, but her Savior more. The divine, transcended the human affection; her heart was in heaven because her richest treasure was laid up there.

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DIED, Mrs. Nancy MARTIN, consort of Jacob MARTIN. She departed this life on the 3rd of October last, at the old family homestead in Abbeville district. She had lived a long and useful life, being at the time of her decease in the seventy-first year of her age. She was an affectionate wife, a devoted mother, and a kind and benevolent neighbor. Being a woman of frank and open disposition, with admirable traits of character, she never failed to inspire confidence and produce a favorable impression upon all who moved within the circle of her acquaintance.

And although the rude hand of Death has applied the withering touch, and drawn over her the black veil of mortality, yet she still has an abiding place in the hearts of all of her neighbors. Mrs. Martin was not a member of any church, but had always been piously inclined, and entertained a strong belief in the truth of the Christian religion. In her last moments while her friends and relations were solicitously encircling her bed and death seemed to be stealing over her like a serene slumber, she waked as if from a profound reverie and told them not to grieve for her, that she relied implicitly on the Savior, felt secure in the reliance and earnestly entreated them to do the same. She has left a large and affectionate family and an extensive circle of friends and acquaintances to mourn her irreparable loss, but we feel confident that their loss is her everlasting gain.

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DEPARTED this life on January 24th 1856, Mr. James HERRON at his residence in Tippah county, Miss. in his 85th year. He was for eighty years a citizen of Abbeville and Anderson Districts, S.C. The Anderson Gazette

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NEWSPAPER Issue of Thursday, MARCH 13, 1856

#### MARRIAGES

Married on the 6th of March 1856 by the Rev. Joseph Gibert, Mr. J.J. CAMPBELL to Miss J.S. TAYLOR, all of Abbeville district.

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NEWSPAPER Issue of Thursday, MARCH 20, 1856

OBITUARY

DIED, in this District, on Wednesday the 27th ult., Mrs. Elizabeth BROOKS, consort of J. Wesley BROOKS, in the 37th year of her age. It does indeed seem true that "death loves a shining mark." The subject of this notice was one of those whose worth and usefulness, whose uniform amiability and sweetness of disposition endeared her to every heart. She had been a member of the Presbyterian church for sixteen years and during that time, she illustrated and enforced the truths of the religion she professed, by a Godly walk and conversation.

It is hardly necessary to add that at the close of such a life, there was a peaceful death and the hope of a glorious immortality. During her long and painful illness, she frequently repeated the following lines, which doubtless indicate the comforting hopes which sustained and strengthened her soul for the last conflict:

"There is a land of pure delight,

Where saints immortal reign,

Infinite day excludes the night,

and pleasures banish pain."

She has left behind a bereaved husband, a widowed and heart-stricken mother, and a large circle of mourning friends.

"Green be the turf above thee,

Friend of my better days,

None knew thee but to love thee,

None named thee but to praise."

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NEWSPAPER Issue of Thursday, MARCH 27, 1856

OBITUARY

DIED, in this district of Scarlet Fever on the 4th inst., Miss Frances E. BARMORE, in the 20th year of her age. Thus, by an inscrutable Providence, one who was in the morning of life, and who promised much usefulness, has been called to experience eternal realities. She was amiable and lovely, she was eminently endowed with those virtues which are calculated to inspire

esteem and confidence. Kind, generous, affectionate and confiding, she was loved and respected by all who knew her.

By her death, a breach has been made in a large circle of relatives and friends, which time cannot repair; a mother's heart has been wrung with anguish; the hearts of her sisters and brothers has been made to bleed, and a vacuum created at the maternal board which can never be filled.

But her surviving friends have the satisfaction to believe that through faith in God, she triumphed over the "last enemy". The subject of personal religion had occupied her attention, and in her last sickness, she expressed entire resignation to the Divine will, cheered by the hope that she would be received to the enjoyment of that "rest which cometh for the people of God."

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#### \$100. REWARD

Ranaway from the subscriber on the 24th of February, my boy AARON. He is of yellow or copper color and has a large scar on one of his arms running from the wrist upwards, supposed to have been burned. He is a keen, shrewd boy with a rather sly look, over 6 feet high and weights 200 pounds or more. I will pay the above reward of \$100. for his delivery to me with proof sufficient to convict any white person or persons of harboring him, or \$40. for the delivery to me without proof, or \$25. if lodged in any jail in the state, so I can get him. W. SMITH, Smithville, S.C., March 26, 1856

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