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NEWSPAPER issue of Friday, NOVEMBER 2, 1866
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
Abbeville District

Court of Ordinary

Whereas, Arabelle G. PRESSLY has made application for Letters of Administration of the goods, chattels, rights and credits of William A. Pressly, dec'd, this is therefore to cite all kindred and creditors of the said deceased to appear at the Court of Ordinary for Abbeville district, to be held at the Abbeville courthouse on the 12th day of Nov. next to show cause, if any, why said letters should not be granted. This 25th day of Oct. 1866; Wm. Hill, Ordinary of Abbeville district

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Abbeville District

Court of Ordinary

Whereas, Joseph HUGHEY has made application for Letters of Administration of the goods, chattels, rights and credits of James Hughey, dec'd, this is therefore to cite all kindred and creditors of the said deceased to appear at the Court of Ordinary for Abbeville district, to be held at the Abbeville courthouse on the 12th day of Nov. to show cause, if any, why said letters should not be granted. This 25th day of Oct. 1866; Wm. Hill, Ordinary of Abbeville district

ESTATE SALE

Pursuant to an Order of Sale from Wm. Hill, Ordinary of Abbeville district, I will sell on Wednesday, the 14th of November at the late residence of Sarah Wideman, dec'd, the following Personal Property of Moses T. OWEN, dec'd; Corn, Fodder, Husks, Wheat, Oats, Cotton Seed, Horses, Mules, Cows, Fat and Stock Hogs, Sheep, 2 Wagons, Buggy, Watch, Farming Implements and Household and Kitchen Furniture.

Martha A. Owen, Executrix

NEWSPAPER Issue of Friday, NOVEMBER 9, 1866

FUNERAL OF CAPT. WM. T. HASKELL

The remains of Capt. Wm. Thompson Haskell, who fell at the battle of Gettysburg, were brought home to our village for interment, on Monday evening last. They were received at the Depot by the members of the old Company with whom the deceased was first associated at the beginning of the War, and escorted to the Episcopal church, where after appropriate religious services, and in the presence of sorrowing relatives and friends, and sympathizing members of the community, were consigned to their lasting resting place in the adjacent cemetery.

The services were conducted by the Rev. Johnson and his funeral discourse from the text "Weep ye not for the dead" (Jeremiah XXI: 10) whilst paying a touching tribute to the virtues of the deceased and the great cause to which they were consecrated.

Capt. Haskell was one of the noblest of the young soldiers that our District gave up to the war; was one of a band of brothers whose prowess was illustrated upon so many of its battle fields, distinguished as such by the generous impulses of the patriot soldier, and by the exemplary deportment of the Christian gentleman.

Enjoying the best of early training within the hallowed circle of home influences, he had graduated from the University of Virginia and was just entering upon his career when the cause of a distressed country, enlisted the sympathies and absorbed the devotion of his ardent and patriotic nature.

He was among the first to join Capt. Perrin's Company in Col. Gregg's First Regiment and as a private in the ranks of that company, he took his first lessons in the art of war on the sands of Sullivan's and Morris' Islands. To the surviving members of that company, we need not say with what cheerfulness, with what alacrity, with what enthusiasm, he endured every privation and performed every duty.

We all admired him as the model of every manly virtue and were endeared to him by his kind, generous and self sacrificing nature. We ourselves can never forget many acts of kindness done, and constant and unremitting attention shown, under circumstances when they could be best appreciated, and which could only have been promoted by the gentlest, purest, and most wide reaching sympathies.

With Col. Gregg's Regiment, Capt. Haskell went to Virginia and remained in that Regiment until the expiration of its six months service. He then actively promoted a new organization, and raising a Company, connected himself thenceforth with it. Those who knew him the longest and best can testify with what cheerful and patient endurance he sustained from the fatigues of the march, the privations of the bivouac and the storms of the battlefield, how amid trials and vicissitudes were developed the beautiful

harmony and consistency of his character, and the virtues of the soldier and officer...

Elected to the command of a battalion of sharpshooters which were organized in his regiment in 1863, he fell on the second day of the battle of Gettysburg, on the 3rd of July of the same year, whilst leading his command with that serene courage and unselfish devotion, which had characterized him through life.

His remains have been brought back to the home of his kindred and associates and he sleeps peacefully now in the soil of his beloved Carolina.

MARRIAGES

Married by Rev. Thos. G. Herbert at the residence of the bride's father (Marshall House) on the evening of the 1st of Nov. 1866, Mr. A.V. HAMMOND to Miss Mary RUTLEDGE, all of Abbeville village.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Abbeville District

Court of Ordinary

Whereas, Thomas THOMSON has made application for Letters of Administration of the goods, chattels, rights and credits of Mrs. Jane L. ALLEN, dec'd, this is therefore to cite all kindred and creditors of the said deceased to appear at the Court of Ordinary for Abbeville district, to be held at the Abbeville courthouse on the 21st day of Nov. to show cause, if any, why said letters should not be granted. This 8th day of Nov. 1866; Wm. Hill, Ordinary of Abbeville district

NEWSPAPER Issue of Friday, NOVEMBER 16, 1866

DEATHS

Mr. William CALDWELL, an esteemed citizen of our district, died at his residence near Cokesbury during the past week. Mr. Caldwell was one of our best citizens and was universally esteemed and respected.

MARRIAGES

Married at the residence of th bride's father by ther Rev. J.F. Gibert, Mr.

J.J. BASS to Miss M.E. Edwards, all of Abbeville district.

Married at Cokesbury in Abbeville district, S.C. on the evening of the 30th of Oct. at the residence of Col. B.Z. Herndon by the Rev. Mr. Wannamaker, Capt. S.J. CORRIE of Charleston, S.C. to Miss Alice HERNDON, eldest daughter of Col. B.Z. Herndon.

Married at Hodges Depot on the morning of the 1st of Nov. at the residence of Gen. G.W. Hodges, Mr. E.J. Wiss ? of the firm of Strauss, Vance and Co. to Miss M. Edwina Hodges, the youngest daughter of Gen. C.W. Hodges.

SPEER MILLS FOR SALE

I offer at private sale, the Mills on Rocky River, known as the Speer Mills. The Mills are in good order, both Saw and Grist Mills, and the Flouring Mill will make as much flour as any Mill in the district. There is no better Mill site in the up-country. Forty-four feet falls in the Shoal with water power sufficient to drive any amount of machinery. A desirable place to establish a Cotton Factory as one is much needed there. High water never stops the Mills from grinding. There are forty-six and one fourth acres of land attached to the Mills, convenient, and well timbered. Also other lands that can be bought on reasonable terms. Contact me at Lowndesville, S.C. or Moffattsville, Anderson distict, S.C. John C. Speer, Trustee

Oct. 5, 1866

NEWSPAPER Issue of Friday, NOVEMBER 23, 1866

SALE OF PLANTATIONS

By Order of the Court of Ordinary, Abbeville, S.C.

By order of the Court of Ordinary, Abbeville, District, S.C., will be sold at Public Auction on Sale Day in December next, the following lands for partition, viz:

The Real Estate of Andrew W. CALLAHAM dec'd; situated in Abbeville district on Johnson's Creek, waters of Little River, containing 164 acres, more or less, adjoining lands of C. Wakefield, T.J. Hill and George Millford.

ALSO,

The Real Estate of William Y. WALKER, dec'd, containing 260 acres of land, more or less, situated in Abbeville district on Camp Creek, the waters of Little River, adjoining lands of Edward Ashley, Joshua Ashley and Anna

Robinson. On this place is a Grist Mill.

ALSO,

367 acres of land, more or less, the Real Estate of James J. ADAMS, dec'd, situated in Abbeville district on Begg's Creek, waters of Long Cane, adjoining lands of A. Stevenson, Mrs. Ellis and others.

ALSO,

272 acres of land, more or less, the Real Estate of Mrs. Sarah PACE, dec'd, situated in Abbeville district on Long Cane creek, adjoining lands of Thomas Eakins, John Davis and others.

R. Jones, Sheriff of Abbeville District

Nov. 7, 1866

NEWSPAPER Issue of Friday, NOVEMBER 30, 1866

SOUTH CAROLINA, Abbeville District

Court of Ordinary

Whereas, application has been made by Mary L. WALLER for Letters of Administration on the goods, chattels, rights and credits of Peteus A. Waller, dec'd., therefore, this is to cite all the kindred and creditors of said deceased to appear before the Court of Ordinary for Abbeville district, to be held at the Abbeville courthouse on Friday the 7th day of Dec. next, to show cause why said Letters should not be granted. This 25th day of Oct. 1866

OBITUARY OF WILLIAM McGOWAN, Sr.

Died, at his residence in Laurens District, on Wednesday morning the 7th inst., William McGOWAN Sr. in the 80th year of his age.

Possessing a vigorous constitution, hardened by life and long toil, he passed the period allotted to man and finally, attacked by Congestion of the Brain, sunk to rest amidst a large circle of family and friends. The deceased belonged to that sturdy Scotch-Irish race which has gone into every clime of the earth, and into some without taking root, and producing fruit abundant and useful, perhaps than could any other race that ever lived; whose descendants are in every state and represented in every legislative

council in America. Devoted to liberty, because of oppression at home, in that green gale of the ocean which amidst all the vicissitudes of life, none of them ever ceased to remember as the greenest spot in memory; and they came in large numbers to the United States, because they had been taught to believe that it was "the land of the free."

The deceased possessed in a large degree, all the characteristics of that remarkable race; vigor of body and mind, frankness, generosity, fidelity, impulse, sentiment and heart, giving an appreciation and fondness for poetry, and at the same time, the ambition for practical success which induces industry, economy and thrift.

The deceased was born near Lough Neagh, County Antrim, Ireland in March 1786 and for one in his unpretending sphere, his life was an eventful one. His final thoughts were about an unsuccessful struggle for independence in the Old World, and his last about a like struggle even in the New World.

His father, Patrick McGowan, belonged to the patriotic party of "United Irishmen" in this sort of struggle for liberty in the year 1798. The writer has often heard from the lips of the deceased, that, during the uprising, his father was out with the pikemen and he, being a boy, was carried by an elder sister, still living, when the village of Randalstown was burned and the family had to fly from the red coats of Lord Cornwallis. Power triumphed over the disorganized patriotism, and that rebellion was crushed. Then came, in their course, all the expedients for making treason odious; proscriptions ? and the dungeon, exile and the gibbet ? Some members of the family, particularly an Uncle Robert, were severely punished as traitors to the Government of Great Britain and the dissensions in the country, growing out of the insurrection and connected with the question of "Union", which arose soon after, making it disagreeable and unsafe to remain in his native land.

Patrick McGowan, the father, determined to seek a new home in America. Without the aid of anyone, it was no small matter to cross the ocean. After many disappointments, he sailed from Belfast in the Fall of 1800 but the good brig "Sollie" sprang a leak and had to put back to Cork for repairs. Here, he suffered much in person and purse, but finally reembarked his household goods and sailed again and reached Charleston, South Carolina, in May 1801, with his family, consisting of his wife and four children, three daughters and the deceased, an only son, then a lad of thirteen. Starting from Charleston they went to Laurens district, where an elder brother John had previously settled.

On the second day out, their father sickened and suddenly died, leaving the widowed mother and three sisters mainly dependent on the youthful exertions of the deceased. Penniless, friendless, foreigners, strangers in a strange land, they made their way up to the genial hills of Cane Creek and the deceased commenced his life near the spot where he died.

In the course of a few years he married and reared a large family of

children, some of them survive to tell the desolation occasioned by his departure, and to mourn his loss. His life was one of unremitting hardships, not for himself but for his family. He was devoted to his children and seemed to regard it as the chief object of his life to elevate their condition and make them comfortable, respectable and happy. Feeling keenly the want of an education himself, he spared no pains nor expense in giving them the best opportunity the country afforded.

*NOTE: A large paragraph on the obituary is not legible due to poor quality filming or poor quality or condition of the newspaper in that section. The next few paragraphs are legible, and thus transcribed.

But, his children seeking their own way in the world had all left him, and this last and fatal blow, coming upon him in his loneliness, prostrated him.

So marked were the traits of the deceased, that if he had been favored with early advantage, he would have been a great man. He possessed that without which no man in any walk of life ever was great, indomitable will and perseverance. His body was iron, and his character like his person was broad, strong and massive. He never attempted anything in which he did not succeed. As a citizen he was public spirited and patriotic. He loved to read and discuss politics and had a decided opinion upon all subjects.

The loss of such a citizen will be felt especially in these times. As a neighbor, no man was more kind and obliging. He always entertained a strong feeling of fellowship with the poor and the needy were never turned away from his door hungry. As a friend, he was kind hearted and faithful and exacting of these qualities in return. As the head of a family, he was energetic and untiring. He cared nothing for himself, but all for those dependent upon him. Under an exterior apparently stern, he carried a heart as warm as ever beat in the breast of man. Its value is only fully known when lost.

He was a strong believer in the christian religion as revealed in the scriptures. He labored hard, amidst the engagements, perplexities and the passions of life, to be a worthy professor and gave evidence in his latter days that in leaving this world, he has gone "where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest."

As the autumn paled the sun and tinged the forest with gold, he gave evidence of the fall of a leaf, and at the approach of his eightieth winter, he knew that his race was run, declared his willingness to go, gathered his children within reach and laid down his stout frame and died. Peace be to the kind generous soul. No one has more reason to be thankful for your many labors of love than he, who in spirit, still lingers over the grave. May the turf grow green and the sod press gently on it.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Abbeville District

Court of Ordinary

Whereas, application has been made by Mrs. Edney HINTON for Letters of Administration on the goods, chattels, rights and credits of John Hinton, dec'd., therefore, this is to cite all the kindred and creditors of said deceased to appear before the Court of Ordinary for Abbeville district, to be held at the Abbeville courthouse on the 14th day of Dec. next, to show cause why said Letters should not be granted. This 25th day of Nov. 1866

NEWSPAPER Issue of Friday, DECEMBER 7, 1866

MARRIAGES

Married at Indian Hill, Abbeville district, S.C. on Tuesday, Nov. 13, 1866 by Rev. J.O. Lindsay, R. Stokes Sayre, formerly of Augusta, Ga. and Miss Carrie E., daughter of Mr. A.A. Noble.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Abbeville District

Court of Ordinary

Whereas, application has been made by W. K. BRADLEY for Letters of Administration on the goods, chattels, rights and credits of James McCLAIN , dec'd., therefore, this is to cite all the kindred and creditors of said deceased to appear before the Court of Ordinary for Abbeville district, to be held at the Abbeville courthouse on the 21th day of Dec. next, to show cause why said Letters should not be granted. This 5th day of Dec. 1866

NEWSPAPER Issue of Friday, DECEMBER 14, 1866

MARRIAGES

Married on Thursday evening, Dec. 6th by the Rev. W.P. Mouzon, James Marshall DUNLAP to Miss Mary A. Cox, all of Anderson district.

Married by Rev. W.T. Farrow on the 29th of Nov., Mr. E.C. SMITH to Miss Mattie E. Riley.

Married by Rev. W.T. Farrow on the 9th inst., Mr. William VERRELL to Miss Lizzie Ellis, all of this district.

NEWSPAPER Issue of Friday, DECEMBER 21, 1866

MARRIAGES

Married on Tuesday the 18th inst. by Rev. W.H. King, Mr. C.B. MANN and Miss E. J. Milford, daughter of Mr. T.B. Milford, all of Abbeville district.

Married on the 13th of Dec. by Rev. D. McNeill Turner, Mr. J.W. CALVERT to Mrs. Sallie McIlwaine, daughter of Wm. Hill, all of Abbeville district.

DEATHS

Died, suddenly on the 7th inst. at Madisonville, Tenn., Mr. John C. RODGERS. His remains will be sent to his former home near Greenville, Tenn. for burial.
