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MARRIAGES

Married, August 8th by Rev. C. Thomason of Lowndesville, S.C., Mr. William Moore and Miss Ann Bell, all of Abbeville district.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Abbeville District

Court of Ordinary

In the Matter of the Last Will and Testament of ROBERT CLEMENT SHARP, dec'd

Whereas, R.C. Sharp has prepounded a paper purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Robert Clement Sharp, deceased, late of said district and state aforesaid; and has filed a petition praying to be permitted to swear and examine witnesses for the publishing and confirming thereof. This is therefore to cite the children of Johnson Sharp, dec'd (names not known) who reside beyond the limits of this state, to appear either in person or by attorney, in the Court of Ordinary to be held at Abbeville courthouse on Tuesday, the fourth day of December next, to show cause, if they can, why the said paper should not be admitted to probate in "due form of law." Given under my hand and seal of office this fourth day of September 1866. Wm. Hill, O.A.D.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Abbeville District

Court of Ordinary

Whereas, application has been made by John W. LESLY for Letters of Administration on the goods, chattels, rights and credits of Mrs. Louisa Lesly, deceased; this is therefore to call upon the kindred and creditors of said deceased to appear before the Court of Ordinary at Abbeville district, to be held at Abbeville courthouse on the 25th day of Sept. next, to show cause why said Letters should not be granted. This 5th of August, 1866.

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DIED, at Abbeville, S.C., on Aug. 29, 1866, Louisa, second daughter of Andrew and Margaret SMALL of

Carrieffergus, Ireland. The deceased had been for five years previous to her death, a devout and consistent member of the Episcopal church. Of a retiring disposition and unassuming manners, she was distinguished as a Christian chiefly by that "ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which in the sight of God, is of great price." Hers was that prime wisdom which aims not to know at large of things remote, from use, obscure and subtle, but to know that which before us lies in daily life.

That life was devoted to duty. Earnest, unselfish, she lived for others, her mother, father, brothers, sisters. Her piety in its earthly applications, resolved itself into faithful service to these. She labored quietly, lovingly for their happiness, and the precious counsels of her deathbed, formed a fitting close to her gentle and useful life.

IN MEMORY OF JOHN HENRY WILSON

With no nationality to be claimed as theirs, consequently none to erect monumental piles to their memory, the Confederate dead are left to the tender sympathies of private affection, to record a brief tribute to their memory. Therefore, let this memorial go forth to the citizen of his native district and state, John Henry WILSON, son of John Wilson, and Sergeant in Co. G, 14th Reg't S.C.V., who died of an affliction of the lungs at Fort Delaware on March 28th, 1865, having been a prisoner for 1 year, 8 months and 22 days. His age was 26 years and 20 days.

Some stranger friend has comforted his parents and friends by communicating to them the fact that his last end was peaceful. Although he had never become an actual member of a church, he is represented as making this public profession before his death, that he had found his Savior who had pardoned his sins and would welcome him to the joys of Heaven. These are recorded as some of his dying sayings, "you see me now a dying man, but in a few minutes my soul will take its flight to my blessed Redeemer. There I will sit on the right hand of my Father and praise his holy name forever. O now, I remember the teachings of my good old mother. They are now supporting me in my hours of death; but it is Jesus that calls me and I am happy to say, I am ready and willing to go."

And after other similar expressions of faith and hope, he thanked God that he was able to say these words and then "fell on sleep." Such language speaks for itself. Let it be ours, to cherish, sacredly, such pleasing reminiscences of those who died with their cause. A friend.

NEWSPAPER Issue of Friday, SEPTEMBER 21, 1866

FIRE

We regret to learn that the residence and out houses of Mr. John CONNOR of our village were entirely consumed by fire last Saturday night. All of his furniture was destroyed; his family narrowly making their escape. We are glad to learn that he was insured for twelve hundred dollars by Isaac Branch, Agent of the Underwriter's Agency and will be promptly paid the whole amount.

DIED, at her home near Greenwood on Sept. 1, Mrs. Mary A., wife of John B. SAMPLE, and eldest daughter of James A. and Harriet FOY of Edgefield. A few hours later God called the spirit of an infant daughter to join that of its mother and together their bodies sleep, awaiting the time when they shall be clothed with immortality.

It is not the good fortune of many, even in the course of a longer life, to attract and retain more of the respect and love of others than did our lost friend. Endowed by nature with so many of the qualities which ever awaken regard for the possessor, she had also one of those warm and genial hearts, always ready to meet and reciprocate the friendship and affection so willingly accorded to herself.

A bright and active intellect, well defined character, ardent piety and cultivated taste, combined with engaging manners and conversation, secured her a welcome in that society in which she was so well fitted to adorn, and made her friendship an object eagerly sought.

It was however, that appropriate sphere of woman's life and mission that her head and heart found their happiest exercise and where a character of the purest and finest would lift its most abiding influence. To those who did not know her, words would fail to convey a full idea of the beauty and goodness which made her life a constant exemplification of what is lovely in a female character, while to those whose privilege it was to meet and know her at home, that life was her own best eulogy. Nor would be speak more of the grief which her deceased has caused to the living of her family, sacred to them, and to us.

Parents will cherish the remembrance of an affectionate daughter. A devoted husband lives to bless her memory, and tell her little children of a dear mother, whom they are sure now rests in Heaven. One Who Loved Her

ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR REWARD

Wm. J. HALE who was confined in the jail at his place, made his escape on the night of the 10th inst. I will pay to the person or persons who may capture and deliver him to me, the sum of One Hundred Dollars. Said Hale is about 6 feet high, dark hair, sandy beard and weighs about 160 pounds. The forefinger of his left hand is off at the first joint. R. Jones, Sheriff, Abbeville District, Sept. 14, 1866

NEWSPAPER Issue of Friday, SEPTEMBER 28, 1866

MARRIAGES

Married, Sept. 20 by Rev. C. Thomason, Mr. James M. Belcher and Miss Anna B. Kerr, all of Abbeville.

Married by the Rev. S.B. Jones on Thursday evening the 11th inst., Mr. William C. Martin and Miss Mollie F. Stansell, all of Abbeville district.

Married, by Rev. Thos. G. Herbert on the 8th of Sept. at the residence of the bride's father at Cokesbury, Mr. J.W. Herbert to Miss Emma Smith.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Abbeville District

Court of Ordinary

Whereas, Mrs. Margaret G. WILLIAMS has made application for Letters of Administration of the goods, chattels, rights and credits of Adolphus A. Williams, 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 1st day of Oct. to show cause, if any, why said letters should not be granted. This 14th day of Sept. 1866; Wm. Hill, Ordinary of Abbeville district

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