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# Three-Fold Purpose

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This record has a three-fold purpose in its publication.

First of all, we have no ordinary family. Through the one hundred and fifty years we have had a pride for standards of character and religion we do not want lowered.

In the second place, the growing legislation in social security does now demand exactness in dates of birth and facts as to nationality. This also applies to government employment and with the coming years these things will demand strict regulation.

The old family Bible records are not acceptable and they are not kept as of old, and are often destroyed or mutilated by use and age.

Then in the third place, we want to know our family and keep up the close family ties that have always characterized us.

There are nearly one hundred and fifty families, hence it has been no small task and I have had to depend on others for dates and names.

We are indebted to Cousin Nora Smith for our early history. I took the liberty to insert the Carlton connection in Texas in her outline of that side of the family.

A copy will be furnished the Archives of History in Alabama and those of other states may do the same.

With love for all,

R. C. WILLIAMS.



## THE KIDD-CARLTON FAMILY

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**L**AST year, when I refused the leadership of the committee appointed to collect data regarding the Kidd Family, little did I think that finally this work would fall on me. I was willing to help and did what I could to interest our relatives in the organization of our family connections, conversing with some and writing to others, to several three or four times. I offered to aid in this difficult undertaking by writing down the little I knew regarding our ancestors. Less than a week ago, I learned that no other effort was being made in this historical write-up.

**PERHAPS** this is a task that devolves on the older ones of our generation and, it may be, that I am the one best fitted for the undertaking, since our family being isolated in a foreign land, my parents naturally thought much of those in their far-away home, and rehearsed incidents that had taken place in the family life of their parents, brothers and sisters, and others, portraying to our infantile minds indelible impressions of the noble characteristics of our ancestors. We were led to feel that association with grandparents, uncles, aunts, and cousins would be one of the most delightful privileges; and so did it prove, when, some years later, we returned from Brazil to the U. S. A.

**SWEET** are my recollections of the informal and frequent visits to Aunt Nannie and Uncle D., Aunt Lucy and Uncle Fletcher, Aunt Susie and Uncle Joel, and less frequent ones, because of the distance, but equally delightful, those to Aunt Rissie, who always seemed to be in the spirit of prayer; and my lengthy sojourns in the homes of Aunt Mattie and Cousins Leura and Lon, these homes seeming like my own. I cannot forget those visits to the humble dwelling of Cousin Melissa, and Aunt Tabbie Calhoun, where poverty reigned but everything was clean and inviting, and the simple fare well prepared and appetizing. Some years later I had the pleasure of a lengthy visit in the Texas home of Aunt Sallie Kidd and Uncle Robert Fair, a home of culture and Christian influence, where I found the same big-hearted hospitality and good cheer as in the homes mentioned above. I could give many lovely pictures of family life in all these homes, especially where there were children and young people—these, with the elderly ones, all enjoying each other's companionship and conversation. Today, looking back, I wonder if those visits were not often an imposition. If so, no indication of the fact was ever given; on the contrary, a warm welcome was always extended.

**AS TO** the history of the Kidd family, so far as I can learn, there is very little authentic data. They were of Scotch-Irish descent. Cousin Melissa Calhoun, Grandpa Kidd's niece, told me that they moved from South Carolina to Fulton County, Georgia, settling on a portion of land now covered by the great city of Atlanta. At that time there was only one store at the crossing of two roads, now Peachtree and South Peachtree Streets. Before they left for Alabama, a town had sprung up.

**GRANDPA** had one brother and four sisters. Mother, in her last days, said she thought his brother's name was James, but she was



not sure. I had the impression that Uncle Willie Kidd was named for that uncle. This uncle married and went to Texas, where he and his wife opened a school and taught for some years. Mother was positive in her assertion that their school was the beginning of the Kidd-Key College, Sherman, Texas. This was her statement in her younger days as well as in her advanced years.

HIS SISTERS were Mary (Aunt Polly), who married a Mr. Rled (or Reed); Elizabeth (Aunt Betsie), who married William Spencer; Martha (Aunt Patsie), who married to a Mr. Stewart; and Sarah (Aunt Sallie), whose husband was Isaac Calhoun. I have been unable to learn anything regarding Aunt Pollie, after her marriage. Aunt Betsie and Mr. Spencer had one daughter, named Sarah. She married a Mr. Timmerman. To them were born two sons, one now living in Prattville, and the other in Mobile, so I am informed. Cousin Sarah had a tragic death. While burning some trash, the flames fanned by the wind, caught her clothing and she was burned to death. Aunt Patsie married a Mr. Stewart. They settled near, or in what is now Birmingham, Ala. They had one daughter, Mariah; greatly loved by her Uncle Seaborn Kidd's girls. She and Aunt Nannie were intimate chums, I think. Cousin Mariah married a Mr. Ray. They had no children of their own. An adopted daughter and her husband live in or near Oxmoor, Ala. Aunt Sallie married Isaac Calhoun. To them was born one child, a girl, whom they named Melissa. Aunt Sallie died in early life, leaving her little girl to the tender care of Aunt Tabbie, Uncle Isaac's maiden sister. In later years, Aunt Mattie Hightower furnished them a small house near her own, so she could more conveniently assist in caring for Uncle Isaac and Aunt Tabbie. After the death of Aunt Mattie Hightower, Cousin Melissa left the little home, living first with Aunt Mattie and Cousin Jimmie, then with Aunt Nannie and L. M. Whetstone, where she passed away the last of 1913.

THE Carltons, Grandma's people, came from Virginia, moving to Georgia shortly after Grandma Kidd's birth. They settled in Troup County, said to have been occupied only by the gentry and their slaves. How and when Grandpa and Grandma Kidd became acquainted, we do not know, neither do we know anything regarding their courtship and marriage, except that they were married in the Carlton home, Troup County. But we know that in December, 1834 they moved from Georgia to Alabama, their eldest child, Nancy Barton, being six months old. They located about a quarter of a mile south of Wetumpka, up on a hill, where today there is a small white house.

GRANDMA Mary Carlton Kidd's father, Archbald, with his family, left Georgia and came to Wetumpka, presumable, about the same time, and located on what is known as the Carlton Place. Her parents were Archibald and Nancy Barton Carlton. Her step-mother was Martha Hutson. She had four brothers, Emory, Horace, Templeton and Richard, and two sisters, Elizabeth and Lucy. She also had six half brothers, Archibald, John, Roland, James, Seaborn and Albert, and one half sister, Susan.



UNCLE Emory had two daughters, Fannie and Emily. Fannie married Dent Brassell. At the close of the Civil War, they, with their infant son, Richard, their only child, embarked with other Southerners for Brazil, but they were not pleased with the outlook, so after one year they returned to the old home near Ware, Elmore County. Here, shortly afterwards, Cousin Emily died. Mr. Braswell then married Aunt Emily. They had two children, Fannie and Dent. Both Mr. and Mrs. Braswell died years ago. Fannie married Mr. Speaking, who died in 1929. She now lives at Shorters Station, Macon County., Alabama. Dent Braswell married Miss Glennie Dozier. They now live near the old home.

UNCLES Emory and Horace died in early manhood. Uncle Richard and Uncle John went to Texas and reared large families. All of the latter have passed away and about half of Uncle Richard's also. The survivors are substantial citizens near Jacksonville, Texas.

The following data of J. T. Carlton was furnished by Ida Carlton Wilson and R. W. Ellison.

JOHN T. Carlton was born in LaGrange, Ga., June 20, 1832, and died Aug. 26, 1910, at Baileyville, Texas, Milan County. His parents moved to Wetumpka, Ala., while he was rather young. It was there he married Miss Mollie Pylout. To this union was born two boys and one girl. One of the boys died in infancy, the other, Charlie, and Mattie came to Texas with their parents in 1865. His wife died soon after their arrival in Divalla, Tex.

Several years later he married Harriet McKinney, daughter of Joseph McKinney and Martha Bozeman McKinney, also natives of Wetumpka, Ala. To this union was born five children: Mary, Lula, Sudie, Johnny and Kinney. Mary, Lola and Johnny died while still children. Harriet McKinney Carlton died at Baileyville, Tex., in 1883.

John T. Carlton married again in 1890 to Miss Anna Dauklin, who survives him.

He enlisted in the 36th Alabama Regiment, under Capt. Mithell and belonged to the Tennessee Army under General Bagg and J. E. Johnson. He was captain of a pioneer company but ranked as Lieutenant. He was in the first battle of Shiloh. Afterwards he was in the following battles: Perryville, Murfreesboro, Missionary Ridge, Chickamauga, and others, even to Atlanta, Ga. He accompanied General Hood in his tour of Tennessee. He built a large raft that was sent down Chickamauga Creek and the Tennessee River which broke the enemy's pontoon bridge at Chattanooga. At one time by an ingenious stroke he saved his army from peril, which showed a military genius worthy of a first class general.

#### TRIBUTE OF RESPECT BY REV. B. T. GOODWIN

And such was the choice made by our dearly beloved Uncle Johnnie (J. T.) Carlton, who passed from the toils, pains of this world into the joy and peace, rest and real liberty that awaits the



children of God. He had lived to a ripe old age of seventy-nine years, the greater part of which was spent in the service of God, for when a young man he gave his heart to Jesus, and his life to His service, as is well known by all who knew him.

He was not what some would call a long-faced Christian, but was jovial and happy, and sought to make all about him happy. He loved God, Christ and righteousness, and it was one of the greatest pleasures of his life to engage in the work for the salvation of the lost about him and was always bold, yet in an humble way to testify for his Savior, and to tell what Christ had done for him. And it was one September night in the year 1894, in the church at Rosebud, as he stood before the people gathered for worship, with the light of heaven on his face, and the love of Christ in every word, that this writer who had so long been grappling in darkness, saw the light and surrendered his soul to Christ for life eternal. It is not necessary for me to say I loved Bro. Carlton, and whatever good I may do in life, be it little or much to honor God, and help humanity, this dear brother will have a part of it to his credit when the great day of rewarding shall come; and of this I am truly glad.

I did not wait until his death to speak of this, for more than once when we were alone I have told him how he helped me to Christ and he has embraced me in his arms as a father would a son, and with tear-filled eyes would praise God aloud. He was to me as no other living person, because he lead me to see the light and accept Christ. Not only myself but many others were brought to the fold of God by him, and eternity alone will reveal his mighty works. It was my happy privilege to visit him in his home not long before his death, and have him tell me how he knew that at best the time here could not be long, but that everything was so bright and he was ready at any moment.

If God were to speak to us in an audible voice, of Bro. Carlton He would say, Carlton My Servant Is Dead; and would no doubt say to those who weep for him: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints, and again Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from hence forth: yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.

#### **DESCENDANTS OF JOHN T. CARLTON AND MOLLIE PYLOUT**

CHARLIE Pylout Carlton was born in Wetumpka, Ala., Sept. 22, 1861. He moved to Texas in 1865 and married in 1885 to Miss Annie Nelms, daughter of a Methodist preacher. To this union was born four girls, three of whom grew to womanhood. His wife died Feb. 3, 1908 and he died Jan. 27, 1922.

LETHA Ray Carlton, the oldest daughter, married L. R. Morris June 21, 1905 in Marlin, Tex. She now lives in Rosebud, Tex. They have one son, Dr. Howard Morris, of Dallas, Tex.

ALVA Carlton, the second daughter, married Jim Wiley and was living in Waco, Tex., at the time of her death in 1935. She left no descendants.

HATTIE Inez Carlton, the third girl, married Charlie Jinks in Marlin, Tex. To this union was born five children, three boys and two girls. One son passed away in September, 1939. The entire family now live in Houston, Tex.

MATTIE Carlton, daughter of John T. Carlton and Mollie Pylout,



was born in Wetumpka, Ala., in 1862. She married John Taylor, of Baileyville, Tex. To this union was born three boys and one girl. She died in April, 1936. Her husband had already preceded her in death.

McCLEN Taylor, the oldest son, is married and lives in Texas. No children.

JOHNNIE Taylor, the second son, married Ethel McIntosh and they have three children, two girls and one boy and live near Rosebud, Tex.

CHARLIE Taylor, the youngest son, married Dora Walker and they have five girls and two boys. They all live in and around Levelland, Tex.

MATTIE Taylor, the only daughter, married R. L. Smith, of Rosebud, Tex. To this union was born four boys and one girl. She died in 1938 and all her children and husband live near Rosebud, Tex.

#### DESCENDANTS OF JOHN T. CARLTON AND HARRIET McKINNEY

SUDIE Elizabeth Carlton married R. W. Ellison March 3, 1897, a son of Abram Patterson Ellison and Mary Ann Wright Ellison, natives of Alabama and Georgia. To this union was born four boys and three girls. One of the boys died in infancy. Sudie Elizabeth Carlton Ellison was born Aug. 6, 1880, and died Jan. 17, 1939.

R. W. Ellison died Dec. 26, 1926, age 68.

CARLTON Wright Ellison, the oldest boy, was born July 1, 1898, and married Jacque Jea Jackson ~~and Louise Hayms Jackson~~ March 5, 1931. To this union was born tow boys, Richard Wright Ellison, born Feb. 29, 1933, and James Lucious Ellison, born Sept. 27, 1936. They live in Baileyville, (Milan County) Tex., near Rosebud.

HATTIE Elizabeth Ellison was born Feb. 6, 1900, and married W. T. Mayer in 1929. They now live in San Antonio, Tex.

RICHARD W. Ellison, Jr., the second son, was born June 12, 1907, and is unmarried and lives in Bailyeville, Tex.

CLAUDE Moore Ellison, the youngest son, was born Feb. 28, 1909, is unmarried and lives with Richard and youngest sister.

MARRIANIA Ellison, the second girl, was born Dec. 3, 1912, attended Mary Hardin Baylor College and married E. J. Cauley. They live near Rosebud, Tex.

FLORENCE Edith Ellison, the youngest girl and child, was born July 25, 1920. She lives with her two unmarried brothers and attend Mary Hardin College, Belton, Tex.

THE Ellison children own annd live on some land John T. Carlton settled on soon after coming to Texas from Alabama. They also own land their grandfather, Abram Ellison, bought and settled upon after arriving in Texas from Alabama.

#### JAMES McKINNEY CARLTON

JAMES McKinney Carlton was born March 25, 1889 at Baileyville, Tex., and married Eleanor Gladys Askew, daughter of W. H. Askew and Mollie Cargill Askew, natives of Alabama (Creekstand)



1910, and Aunt Jettie, Nov. 6, 1922. To them were born Mattie Carlton, who married Ernest B. Thrasher, Dec. 23, 1890; Lonnie D. Carlton, married to Miss Maude Seaman, Jan. 4, 1894; John Archie Carlton, married to Miss Laura Williams, Oct. 6, 1897; George Seaborn Carlton, married to Miss Brook Seaman, Dec. 27, 1903; and Roland D. Carlton, married to Miss Alzie Longshore, April 17, 1918.

TO MR. and Mrs. Ernest B. Thrasher were born John and Ernest (twins), and Evelyn. John T. Thrasher married Lelia Ballard; Evelyn married Aubrey E. Sturgis. Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Carlton's children are Willie S. Carlton, married to Katherine Longshore; Emma Judson Carlton, married to James E. Williams. To Mr. and Mrs. John A. Carlton were born Clarence S. Carlton and Paul J. Carlton, the first married to Miss Annie McMaon and the second to Miss Virginia Stutts. To Mr. and Mrs. George S. Carlton were born Seaborn Judson Carlton, married to Miss Ora Sanders; Maude Carlton, married to Mr. Howard Land; Evelyn and Mattie Laura Carlton. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Roland D. Carlton are James Guy, Roland D., Junior, Cathron Judson, and Mary Jean. John A. Carlton died March 11, 1915.

AUNT Lucy Carlton Gaines was born June 22, 1824, and died in Wetumpka, October 3, 1893. She had three children, Thomas, 1854-1928; Mary Elizabeth, September 8, 1855-November 11, 1919; Willie, October 29, 1857-March 4, 1897. When she was three weeks old her father died. Thomas Gaines married Miss Lula Terrell. To them were born the following: Lucy, Minnie, and Hassie. All are married, but the names of Lucy's and Minnie's husbands were not given. Lucy has no children; Minnie, one, Lula Belle, married to a Mr. Tapavier. Their home is 601 S. Dakota St., Tampa, Fla.; Hassie (Mrs. Cobb) has two children, Russell and Frances, residence 129 S. Tenn. Ave., Lakeland, Fla.; Mrs. Thomas Gaines' home is in Oyana, Fla. Mary Elizabeth Gaines was married to Daniel W. McCoy. They had three children, Willie Mae McCoy, married to Joseph C. Clifton, who died April 10, 1918; Annie Ruth McCoy, who married Talmage S. Sanford; and Lucy Carlton, married first to Walter E. Thomas, and after his death, married E. J. McCowen. Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Clifton had two children, Misses Mary Dean and Willie Sanford Clifton. Mr. and Mrs. Talmage S. Sanford had two children, Talmage Smith, Jr., and Ann Sanford. Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Thomas had two children, Daniel Harris and Margaret Elizabeth. Willie aGines married Rev. Mark Holt. To them were born two girls, Eloise E. and Mary Cliff. Eloise died in Kerrville, Texas, March 12, 1907. Mary Cliff married Charles Daniel Herren. Their home is in Tallassee, Alabama. Rev. Mark Holt died in Marion, Ala., January 4, 1924. Many, perhaps the majority of the Carlton family and their descendants, for many years, have lived in Wetumpka or in what is now Elmore County. Among them have always been men and women active in all civic, educational and religious movements.

WE RESUME the history of the Kidds. We left the young couple with their first born in Wetumpka, whither they had moved in 1834. In 1840 they moved to Good Hope. Grandpa was a farmer and a mechanic. For some years his custom was to obtain



land grants from the government, build on each a house and make other improvements, and sell, moving on to another locality, and improving in the same way. So after a sojourn of six years, near Wetumpka, he sold out and moved to Good Hope, where he established at different times, several homesteads. One of these homes is the Timmermon place. Finally he moved to this community, now known as Eclectic, and settled what must have been the Lemuel Jackson home. Disposing of that he bought a large tract of land east and south of Eclectic. This purchase included Mr. C. D. Hardin's place (and I don't know how much more in that direction); and out east, the old home of Aunt Mattie and Cousin Jimmie Hightower, those of Cousin John A. Whetstone, Messrs. Fuller, Ben Johnson, and, I think, all the land that belonged to the Whetstone estate. He built the first house occupied by Dr. Fielder and family and lived there some years. But his heart was too big and generous for his own good. A friend became involved financially, and he went security for him, thus losing a considerable portion of his possessions. I am not prepared to say whether or not this loss caused him to build another house, a few of the old logs of which—the northern end—still stand as a part of the negro cabin on Cousin Evie Whetstone's place. My parents were married February 14, 1861, in the Fielder house, and I was born August 25, 1862, in the house, a part of which is to be seen today in the negro cabin referred to above. So Grandpa moved from the former to the latter sometime between these two dates, where he lived the remainder of his days, passing away August 31, 1858.

**DURING** the Civil War, Grandpa sold more land, perhaps the most of what he then owned, receiving in payment Confederate bills, which, at the close of the war, were worth as much as an equal quantity of waste paper. This loss, with that sustained in helping his friend, made him a poor man, the financial heritage he bequeathed to his children and grandchildren.

**THE CULTURAL** and educational attainments of Grandma Kidd were, perhaps, superior to those of her husband, she being of a more refined and gentle nature and possessing qualities characteristic of those born and reared in the homes of affluence and ease. The language used by her large family of boys and girls, and their general demeanor, were proof of home training and influence above the average.

**WHILE** Grandpa Kidd may have been somewhat lacking in polish and literary attainments, he was an energetic man of business, honest and upright in all his dealings, and courageous in defending the rights of the weak and helpless.

**HE HAD** a love for knowledge and improvement, and, with some neighbors, always secured the best teachers for their neighborhood schools. (May I remind you that, at that time, there was only one college for girls in the U.S.A.—the Wesleyan, Macon, Ga.?) One of these teachers—my mother's last one—was Rev. Robert Dickerson, father of Rev. Walter Dickerson, a greatly beloved preacher of the Alabama Conference.

**IN HIS** home, Grandpa was affectionate and jovial; he was not



only loved by his children, but respected and obeyed, as was Grandma, also. Both being hard workers, their children were taught to take part in the daily routine of duties, the lighter tasks, then the heavier ones. By example and precept they learned that to work was not a disgrace, but an honor, and all through life, even in old age, the members of that large family have been noted for their activities.

**BOTH WERE** earnest Christians he being a leader in all church affairs, and she, doubtless, doing all that women, in those days, were expected to do. In a recent letter from my aunt, Mrs. Sallie Kidd Fair, their seventh daughter, she said "He (her father) was a regular attendant and leader in all religious services, day or night; nothing except sickness, kept him away. He always held family praper night and morning . . . Your mother told me a lot about his dedicating one room at the Jackson place, for Sunday School and other services, Sunday afternoons, for those who had no way of going to church. I was too small to remember much about it."

**PREACHERS** were warmly welcomed in their home, thus giving their children the privilege of associating with the best people and of listening to their words of wisdom, and enjoying their innocent jokes and recital of amusing as well as profitable experiences.

**GRANDPA** Kidd was a great temperance worker. He organized the first temperance society in this section, and he and all his family, who were old enough, worked to get people sign the pledge. Mother told of his persistent work with a confirmed drunkard, who refused, for some time, to sign the pledge, because he knew he would not be able to keep it when tempted. But Grandpa assured him he would stand by him and help him. Finally he signed, and a number of times he yielded to the temptations presented by old friends and became drunk. Grandpa, true to his word, stood by him, encouraging and helping him to win the victory and to become a good, useful citizen.

**LEST THE** above encomium, written by an ardent admirer of her ancestors, and a lover of relatives of the present day, even distant cousins, be considered exaggerated, the following testimonials are given:—

**TALKING** recently with Mrs. Ellen Birmingham, a contemporary of the younger Kidd girls, I said: "Let me read to you what I have written about Grandpa and Grandma Kidd. I want to know if you think I have overdrawn their good qualities." She replied: "I don't think you could say anything too good about them."

**IN FEBRUARY**, 1904, while on an itinerary of visit in interest of the cause of missions, I was in Birmingham, Ala., in the home of Mrs. Gregory, widow of a beloved preacher of the North Alabama Conference. Miss Lillian, her daughter, had invited Dr. and Mrs. Anson West to tea. He had known my Kidd grandparents and their large family in 1860, and when he learned who my people were, he said: "I feel like shaking hands with you again. Your



grandfather was the salt of the earth." I went to him and we had a hearty hand-shake.

NOT LONG before his death, Dr. H. T. Lett repeated to some friends what he had said to others on different occasions, regarding his associations, in early life, with the Kidd family. He said in substance: "The cleanliness and order everywhere, the Christian atmosphere of the home, the unselfish, affectionate demeanor of its members, one for the other, and their attention to him, a mere boy, made a lasting impression on his youthful mind, and that from that day on, he had always found the Kidd women unexcelled. One of the girls gave him a book which he prized highly." Thus we see, even in that day when books were not so plentiful as today, they were lovers of literature and took pleasure in sharing with others what they themselves enjoyed.

IN THE Kidd family there were nine girls and two boys, all professing Christians and assiduous attendants at all church services. They were not interested in wordly amusements. The dance hall and card table had no attractions for them. I think I can safely say that most of them, if not all, would have considered a rattlesnake in their midst less harmful than a deck of cards.

THE WOMEN especially were noted for their attention to the poor and suffering, liberally giving to them of their time and means. Special mention should be made of dear Aunt Mattie Hightower, who often spent, not just one or two days and nights with the sick, but a week and more, never making charges and receiving little for their services. While we justly praise her, we must not forget Cousin Jimmie, her daughter, who self-sacrificingly, made it possible for her mother to leave home on her missions of love and mercy.

FROM THE above sketch of the Kidd-Carlton Family, it is evident that we, their children and grandchildren, have fallen into a rich inheritance. What are we doing with it? Are we using it to advantage or are we squandering it? They served God, taking as their guide His Word which they read systematically, beginning with Genesis and going on through Revelations. They taught their children to do the same. They encouraged them in memorizing whole chapters, a task that was not irksome to the latter, but gave them pleasure. Herein do we find the secret of their success in life.

LEONORA S. MERIWEATHER, Historian.  
Eclectic, Ala., May, 1937.

#### NANCY BARTON KIDD WHETSTONE

Born June 26,, 1834—died Nov. 2, 1929.

Married J. D. Whetstone, June 7, 1858.

J. D. Whetstone born April 16, 1835, died Aug. 11, 1901.

Four children—

Mary Davis Whetstone, born Apr. 22, 1859, died Dec. 8, 1929.

Sophie Murph Whetstone, born Feb. 20, 1861, died Mar. 14, 1919.



John Andrew Whetstone, born June 5, 1864, died Jan. 30, 1930.

L. M. Whetstone, born Dec. 21, 1874, died Nov. 10, 1927.

Mary Davis Whetstone and Benjamin Freeman Hale married Nov. 6, 1889.

Eight children:—

William Herman Hale, Sept. 12, 1809.

James De Rostus Hale, Sept. 21, 1892—Aug. 31, 1904.

Mary Freeman Hale, Apr. 24, 1894.

Leslie Hayward Hale, Feb. 21, 1896.

John Andrew Hale, Nov. 28, 1897.

George Maxwell Hale, Jan. 28, 1899.

Frazier Noble Hale, Dec. 28, 1900—July 29, 1901.

Aurie Kirksey Hale, Oct. 6, 1903—Sept. 25, 1910.

William Herman Hale and Gladys Templeton (born Feb. 13, 1893), married Dec. 29, 1916.

Three children:—

Mary Elizabeth Hale, Mar. 6, 1920.

William Hayward Hale, May 16, 1922.

Joyce Louelle Hale, Aug. 22, 1926.

Leslie Hayward Hale and Edna Jane Thrash, born Sept. 1, 1902, married July 28, 1921.

Two children:—

Benjamin Leslie Hale, July 29, 1924.

Laura Jean Hale, Feb. 17, 1927.

John Andrew Hale and Clara Kathrine Templeton married Mar., 1923.

One child:—

Margie Carolyn Hale, July 29, 1928.

George Maxwell Hale married Lillian Kendrick, June, 1929.

One child:—George Maxwell Hale, Junior, Sept. 22, 1931.

Mary Freeman Hale married W. O. Franklin, of Union Springs, Ala., June 22, 1921.

John Andrew Hale and Clara Kathrine Templeton, born Oct. 2, 1901, married March 26, 1923.

John A. Whetstone married Evelena (Knox) Walkley, born Aug. 5, 1871, on Dec. 22, 1895. To this union were born two sons:—

Louis Whetstone, born Feb. 25, 1901.

Mark A. Whetstone, born March 22, 1906.

Louis Whetstone married Myrtle Reese, born Feb. 28, 1905, on March 15, 1926. To this union are four children:—

Mary Evelyn, born Aug. 29, 1927.

Bryant Roy, born April 13, 1931.

J. Devaughn, born Nov. 9, 1932.

Jeanette, born May 20, 1936.

Mark A. Whetstone and Estelle Chrieszberg, born July 18, 1905, were married Sept. 25, 1925. To this union there are two children:—



Joanne, born March 20, 1930.

Donald, born April 14, 1934.

Mark Andrew Whetstone graduated at Auburn A. P. I. College, 1933.

### ELIZABETH CARLTON KIDD

Elizabeth Carlton Kidd was born near Wetumpka, Ala., March 4, 1837. She received her education in the schools of the communities where her parents lived, now Good Hope and Eclectic.

On Feb. 14, 1861, she was married to Thomas Dixon Smith.

In 1865, Mr. and Mrs. Smith moved to Meridian, Miss., making that their home till April, 1868. They then embarked from New Orleans to find a home in Brazil, S. A. Their first home was in the Norris neighborhood, near the present town of Villa Americana, Province of Sao Paulo. They were charter members of the first Methodist church organized in that Province, for the Americans. This organization was effected in 1871, in the Campo neighborhood. They were also charter members, as were their two eldest children, of the first Methodist Church for Brazillians in this section.

In 1884, Mr. Smith and family returned to Elmore County, from Brazil, where they had been for 16 years. Here he died Jan. 1, 1895. In 1898, Mrs. Smith moved to Texas, making her home either with her daughter, Laura, or her son, Marvin, until the death of Mrs. Macon, Sept. 17, 1933. Then she returned to Eclectic, Ala., where she spent the remainder of her days. She died Aug. 5, 1935, aged 98 years, 5 mos., 1 day.

To Mr. and Mrs. Smith were born five children, Leonora Dixon, Aug. 25, 1862; Laura Adela, July 6, 1865; George Kidd, Sept. 10, 1868; Mary Meriweather, Nov. 10, 1870; and Eastham Marvin, June 14, 1878.

Leonora studied in the Girl's Annex of Collegio Internacional, a Presbyterian institution in Campinas, and Collegio Piracicabano, in Piracicaba, Brazil. Her first year in the U. S. A. was spent in The Nashville College for Young Ladies, Nashville, Tenn. Dr. John Massey, learning of her desire to prepare for missionary work, kindly opened for her the doors of the Ala. Conference Female College, Tuskegee, Ala. Here she completed the classical course in 1887. In after years she took the Bible course in Scarritt College, Kansas City. In 1888, she was employed by the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the M. E. Church South, and sent to Brazil. At the close of the first year, she was accepted as a full missionary. In 1908, she severed her connection with the Woman's Board and, a few months later, was married to Robert Meriwether. In 1926, she and her husband returned to the U. S. A. to make their home in Eclectic, Alabama. Mr. Meriwether died November 6, 1937.

Laura was educated in private schools, having talent for music, and taught in local schools of Elmore County. On January 1, 1889, she was married to Henry Macon. In December of 1896, they with their two little boys, moved to Comanche County, Texas, where they remained till 1909, moving then to Quitman, Texas. Here, Mrs. Macon died Sept 17, 1933. She was a leader in church



work, an active member of the Eastern Star Order, and a ready co-worker in every community enterprise.

Their children were Kidd Lafayette, Hunter Smith, Eloise, and Gladys.

Kidd and Hunter were born in Elmore Co., Ala., the first, on August 14, 1891, and the latter, February 15, 1893.

After finishing the high school course, Kidd took the state examination for teachers and taught two years. He also took several correspondence courses. Early in life he accepted a position in one of the Comanche banks and since that time he has been connected with one of the local banks. In 1917, Kidd Macon was married to Miss Buna Hitchcock, a young teacher, only daughter of Rev. M. M. Hitchcock.

Hunter Macon was educated in the high schools of Hasse and Quitman, Texas. At present he is chief clerk, freight claim department, Missouri Pacific Lines. He and Miss Vernon Smart, of Quitman, Texas, were married May 9, 1915. She was educated in the Kidd-Key College, Sherman, Texas, receiving her B. L. degree in 1914. Their only child, Naomi Ruth, was born April 8, 1920.

Eloise was born March 10, 1903, near Comanche, Texas. She was educated in Kidd-Key College and Conservatory of Music, Sherman, Texas, majoring in piano. She was married September 3, 1924, to Leonard M. Fulkerson, of Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Gladys was born January 25, 1905, in Hasse, Texas. She received her education in Kidd-Key College and Conservatory of Music, Sherman, Texas, majoring in music. On May 3, 1928, she married Roy Power, of Quitman, Texas. His trade is that of tailor. She teaches music and is now employed in the public schools of Quitman. They have one child, Paul Davis, born July 20, 1931.

George Kidd died May 9, 1889.

Mary Meriwether, at an early age, entered Collegio Piracicabano, Piracicaba, and later, was a boarding pupil in Collegio Proents to the U. S. A. She studied in the Eclectic School, and afterwards taught in Elmore County four years. She then entered the Alabama Conference Female College, Tuskegee, Ala., where she took the classical course, serving, at the same time, as Dr. Massey's secretary. One year she was a student in the Methodist Training School, Nashville, Tenn. She received her A. B. degree from Huntingdon College, Montgomery, Ala., June, 1935. Her address is 307 Winona Ave., Montgomery, Ala. She was a teacher in the Capitol Heights Grammar School, Montgomery, but now retired and is coaching pupils.

Eastham Marvin Smith attended the Eclectic and Newman Schools of Elmore County. Then in 1901 took his D. D. S. degree from the Dental College of Atlanta. He moved to Texas. He married Miss Donna Caton, educated in the Normal School of Texas. Their children are Agnes Ruth, Elizabeth Janette, and Johnnie Doris.

Agnes Ruth was born August 4, 1909. Educated in Clarksville School. Married the night of her graduation to Weldon Latimer, a clerk in the Clarksville Bank. Their children are Billy Eugene, born December 25, 1928; Robert Marvin, December 15, 1931, and died April 13, 1932; Shirley Ann, April 21, 1933, and died January



8, 1935; Marilyn Joyce, February 6, 1936.

Elizabeth died August 30, 1918.

Johnnie Doris, born September 13, 1919, graduated with high honor at Clarkville, 1936, and was a student for one year at Texas State University, Austin, Tex., then taking a business course at Tyler, Tex. On Sept. 3, 1938, she was married to Asa Gibbs. He was educated at Lamar College and Texas A & M, taking his B.S. Degree. He is an electrical engineer, employed by the Geographical Department, Magnoleum Petroleum Co. Present address 721 Browder Street, Dallas, Tex.

### MARTHA ANN KIDD

Martha Ann Kidd, daughter of Mary and Seaborn Kidd, was born January 30, 1839, in Wetumpka, Alabama. Was educated in the public schools of Alabama. Married to James Williams Hightower on August 25, 1859. He was a farmer and lived at Eclectic. She died April 17, 1924.

Two children:—

Susan Vileura, born July 21, 1860, died October 31, 1925.

Jimmie Adella, born January 11, 1862, died March 28, 1937.

Susan Vileura was educated in the public school at Eclectic. Married Alonza M. Cryer, November 25, 1882. He was a farmer, living near Eclectic.

One child—William Hilliard, born August 30, 1884, died April 29, 1926. He was educated at Greensboro, and Tulane Medical College. A doctor by profession. Married to Hurteline Ramsay, about December, 1912.

Jimmie Adella never married, educated at Tuskegee Female College and Normal School, Florence, Alabama. She taught school a few years. Died recently.

### LUCY KIDD WILLIAMS

Lucy Adaline Kidd, fourth daughter of Seaborn J. and Mary Carlton Kidd, was born August 27, 1841. She taught school in Elmore County, was married March 21, 1867, to Eli Fletcher Williams (who was born March 23, 1838). She died September 28, 1914. Lived and died in Eclectic, Alabama.

Descendants:

Fletcher Orlando, born January 11, 1868, died February 27, 1931.

Robert Chapel, born February 17, 1869.

Mary Eolia, born June 14, 1871, died March 11, 1925.

Susie Elizabeth, born August 28, 1873.

Lucy Cornelia, born November 14, 1876.

Rolenia Alice, born July 11, 1879, died October 13, 1923.

George Kidd, born December 5, 1884.

Rufus Marion, born March 16, 1887, died April 20, 1931.

I, Orlando Williams was married, March 17, 1889, to Ida Harrison, of Dadeville, who died November 17, 1901, leaving four children. He afterwards married Annie Johnston, of Eclectic. No descendants. Home was in Eclectic.

Descendants:

Emery Luther, born May 15, 1890, died August 28, 1890.

Edgar Eldrid, born June 15, 1891.

Ida Lois, born January 19, 1896.



Lelia Eulalia, born November 9, 1898.

Allie Bessie, born January 31, 1901.

Edgar Williams was educated in the school of Eclectic, was graduated from Auburn as a veterinarian, and is now a practicing veterinarian and meat inspector for the U. S. Government. Was married November 4, 1916, to Leila Mae Hearn, of Opelika, who died November 23, 1936. He married Millie McBride May 10, 1933, of Wetumpka, Ala.

Descendants—First Wife.—

Dorothy Evelyn, born March 1, 1918.

Ida Jean, born September 21, 1921.

Dorothy Williams was married, March 31, 1934, to Victor Weldon, of Wetumpka.

Lois Williams was married, January 20, 1927, to John B. Rives, an electrician of Birmingham.

Descendants:—

Joel Orlando Rives, born November 9, 1927.

Martha and Mary (twins), born March 10, 1930.

John Edgar, born March 31, 1933.

Leila Williams was educated in the elementary and high school of Eclectic, making a specialty of music. Was married September 11, 1919, to Leham Welch, a lawyer of Eclectic.

Descendants:—

George Leham Welch, born August 5, 1920.

Margarite Welch, born September 17, 1921.

Harrison Welch, born May 6, 1923.

Allie Bessie Williams was married, October 28, 1920, to Lorenza Lee Haynie, dry cleaner and insurance salesman.

Descendants:—

Howard Williams Haynie, born August 7, 1921.

Lorene Haynie, born May 28, 1923.

Betty Luke Haynie, born November 27, 1929, died February 13, 1931.

Fletcher Orlando Haynie, born October 13, 1932.

II. Robert Williams was educated at Eclectic and at Southern University at Greensboro, Ala., (now Birmingham-Southern); joined the Alabama Conference of the M. E. Church South in 1892, and is now a member, living at Hurtsboro; was married to Kate Persons, of Hurtsboro, December 8, 1892.

Descendants:—

Reynolds, born May 26, 1894, died July 15, 1912.

Irma Lee, born May 1, 1896.

Robert C., born Nov. 7, 1898.

Laurie B., born Oct. 12, 1901.

Kathrine, born Jan. 15, 1912.

Irma Lee was educated in the high schools of Montgomery, had one year at Athens College, married E. A. Cochran of Hurtsboro, Ala., Dec. 3, 1916.

Descendants of Irma Lee and E. A. Cochran:—

Gertrude Cochran, born May 10, 1919, graduated with highest



honors at Hurtsboro High School and finishes this year at Huntingdon College, Montgomery, Ala. She was second on honor roll.

Anita Cochran, born Jan. 17, 1927.

Betty Jean Cochran, born Sept. 15, 1932.

Emory Burt Cochran, born Aug. 17, 1938.

➤ Robert C. Williams, Jr., graduate of Hurtsboro High School, and of Atlanta School of Pharmacy, served in Hospital Division in France, owns home and drug business in Atlanta, Mitchell St., married Rosa Green, of Eatonton, Ga.

Descendants:—

Martha Alice, born June 27, 1921, graduate Girls High School, Atlanta Ga. Now in Atlanta Business College.

Robert, born May 24, 1928.

Dorris Francis, born May 26, 1934.

Laurie Bass Williams, educated at Hurtsboro, Ala., one year at the University of Georgia, one year at Birmingham-Southern, and a graduate of New Orleans Technical School. Married Annette Clegg, of Atlanta, Dec. 2, 1924. No children. Has appointment with the government in Washington, D. C.

Kathrine Williams, educated in high schools of Hurtsboro, an A. B. graduate of Bob Jones College, married Rev. Edd Hardin, member of Alabama M. E. Conference S., March 4, 1934. One child, Edward L. Hardin, born March 29, 1940.

III. Mary Eolia Williams was married Nov. 23, 1893, to Eugene Walker Hart, M. D., of Alexander City, Ala. Lived in Tallapoosa County, Ala. Both are dead.

Descendants:—

James Duffy Hart, born Oct. 25, 1894, died May 6, 1921.

Eileen Hart, born July 9, 1896, died July 27, 1897.

Ruth Hart, born dead, Jan. 6, 1898.

Lucile Hart, born Jan. 30, 1899.

Eugene Hart, born Aug. 24, 1902.

Fletcher Hart, born Oct. 23, 1904, died Aug. 3, 1905.

Louise Hart, born Aug. 2, 1908, died March 8, 1909.

James Duffy Hart served in the World War overseas, was married.

Lucile Hart graduated from Camp Hill High School in 1916, married Dec. 2, 1920, to Ben F. Waller, a graduate of University of Tennessee and of the Atlanta College of Pharmacy, own a home and drug store in Atlanta, have one daughter, Mary Eugenia Waller, born July 5, 1924.

IV. Susie Williams was married Nov. 2, 1892 to Charles Thomas Cousins, a farmer of Eclectic.

Descendants:—

Agnes Eulalia Cousins, born Oct. 25, 1893.

Vivian Clarice Cousins, born Nov. 6, 1895, died Feb. 11, 1897.

Maud Lilian Cousins, born Oct. 19, 1897.

Fannie Mabel Cousins, born Sept. 4, 1899.

Rolenia Cousins, born Aug. 24, 1901.

Morris Williams Cousins, born Sept. 19, 1903; married Mae Bresnahan Sept. 29, 1939.



Thomas Herbert Cousins, born Jan. 14, 1906.

Lawrence Jackson Cousins, born March 7, 1908.

Annie Lucy Cousins, born March 13, 1911, died Aug. 12, 1925.

Ralph Fletcher Cousins, born Jan. 7, 1917; married Carrie King Jan. 12, 1940. One child, Jerry Warre, born Dec. 20, 1940.

Agnes Cousins married Moreland Stanley Williams, July 11, 1913.

Descendants:—

Helen Elizabeth Williams, born July 20, 1914.

Laura Madelyn Williams, born Dec. 13, 1915.

Moreland Stanley Williams, Jr., born March 15, 1920.

Agnes Llenelle Williams, born Nov. 4, 1921.

James Harrison Williams, born Nov. 7, 1925.

Billy Ruth Williams, born April 2, 1928.

Helen Williams married Lester Hornsby Jan. 21, 1934.

Descendants:—

Roy Lester, born March 4, 1935.

Laura Madelyn Williams, married Lenward H. Baker July 21, 1934.

Maud Cousins has taught many years in the schools of Elmore County and lives with her parents at Eclectic, Ala.; a teacher in Eclectic High School.

Mable Cousins and Willie McCune were married June 25, 1919; live in Columbus, Ga.

Descendants:—

Francis Louise, born Nov. 1, 1920.

William Thomas, born July 19, 1922.

Mable Lucile, born Nov. 4, 1924.

Evelyn Irene, born March 29, 1927.

James Hershel, born Nov. 17, 1930.

Rolenia Cousins married Oct. 5, 1919, R. M. Thornton, a World War veteran; lives at Holtville, Ala.

Descendants:—

Mary Elziabeth, born June 7, 1921; married J. W. Thrasher June 30, 1940.

Robert Marvin, Jr., born Nov. 19, 1922.

Morris Cousins, member of U. S. Navy, stationed at New York.

Herbert Cousins married Irene Gilley June 29, 1935. One child, Martha Gay, born June 1, 1937.

Jack Cousins married Montez Kelley Nov. 3, 1927.

Descendants:—

Mary Sue, born June 14, 1929.

LUCY (Lula) WILLIAMS was graduated from Alabama Conference Female College, Tuskegee, Ala., (now Huntingdon College, Montgomery), 1901, taught for many years in the public schools of Elmore County, was married to Euell B. Wideman, merchant of Central Ala., April 30, 1902.



## Descendants:

Kathleen, born May 4, 1903.  
 Daughtry, born Dec. 5, 1904.  
 Willie Marie, born Aug. 7, 1906.  
 John Massey, born Aug. 8, 1908.  
 Lucy Williams, born Jan. 17, 1911.  
 Euell Fletcher, born Aug. 27, 1913.  
 James Frank, born Nov. 17, 1915.

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Kathleen Wideman lives in Montgomery, Ala., bookkeeper in Post Exchange, Maxwell Field. Married in April, 1920, to Jessie Thomas, Tallassee, one child. Was divorced in 1922. Married Aug. 4, 1924, to N. O. Barganier, employee of Metropolitan Insurance Company, Montgomery, child adopted.

Descendant: Margaret Barganier, born May 14, 1921, married to George Stough, June 6, 1939.

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Daughtry Wideman married Oct. 14, 1921 to Emmett Bachelor of Wetumpka, Ala., a farmer, employed by the State as Superintendent of Farms in 1935-36. Bought farm and moved to Atmore in January, 1938.

## Descendants:

Blanche, born Feb. 25, 1924. Was state president of 4-H Club 1939-40, and won a trip to Washington in 1941.  
 John Allen, born Jan. 1, 1926.  
 Ellen, born Sept. 13, 1927, died Aug. 30, 1928.

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Marie Wideman married Dec. 19, 1924, to Leon Jones, farmer and school bus driver, Dexter, Ala., Rt. 2.

## Descendants:

Carolyn, born Dec. 12, 1926.  
 Bobbie Marie, born Aug. 13, 1931.  
 Leon Truman, born Nov. 13, 1938.

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John Massey Wideman was married to Mary Kate McLean, of Robinson Springs, Elmore County, Ala., March 17, 1928, was a dental supply salesman, first in Alabama and then in Tennessee and in Kentucky at the time of his death, Oct. 10, 1937.

## Descendants:

Betty Jean, born Oct. 22, 1929.

Lucy Wideman completed two years of college work at Montevallo in 1929, married Feb. 2, 1930, to Oslar Warren, hardware business man of Eclectic, Ala.

## Descendants:

Oslar Dewiete, born Nov. 6, 1930.

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Peggy Ann, born March 7, 1932.  
 Willie Frank, born Sept. 30, 1933.  
 Charles Eugene, born July 20, 1937.

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Fletcher Wideman had one year of college work in Memphis Teacher's College, 1933. Married Jan. 6, 1934, to Priscilla Draper, of Wetumpka, Ala., was employee of the State Tax Commission, now with Brown Service Insurance Company.

## Descendants:



Fletcher Draper, born March 21, 1936.  
Hampton Euell, born Jan. 11, 1940.

Frank Wideman finished embalming course at college in Nashville, Tenn, 1938. Employed by Belser, Fuller & Tucker Funeral Home, Montgomery, changed to White Chapel Funeral Home in 1940.

VI. Allie Williams was married Dec. 4, 1898, to William Alonza Harrington, of Eclectic, a farmer. She died Oct. 13, 1923.

Descendants:—

Lucy Permelia (Lutie), born June 28, 1900.  
Mildred Lancaster, born Aug. 1, 1902.  
Alyne, born Jan. 8, 1905.  
Flora Alonza, born April 17, 1909.  
George Fletcher, born June 3, 1912.  
William Malcolm (Billie), born April 15, 1916.

Mildred Harrington was married April 15, 1917, to Benjamin T. Pugh, a farmer, of Shorters, Ala.

Descendants:—

Mary Alice, born Jan. 16, 1922.  
George Thomas, born July 25, 1923.  
Elva Aolenia, born Nov. 10, 1931.  
William Joseph, born Dec. 8, 1933.  
Alyne Harrington graduated from Shorter High School, married Nov. 24, 1925, to Joel Clark Oswalt, Jr., of Shorters.

Descendants:—

Joel Clark, Jr., born Aug. 2, 1926.  
Alicia Mae, born Feb. 3, 1929.  
Philippa Carolyn, born Nov. 29, 1930.

Alonza Harrington graduated from Shorter's High School, 1922, married Oct. 9, 1926, to Glenn Edward Jackson, of Notasulga, lineman for Alabama Power. Co.

Descendants:—

John Alexander, born Jan. 19, 1928.  
Patricia Ann, born Feb. 5, 1932.

VII. George Kidd Williams, employee of the Metropolitan Insurance Company for more than 16 years, in Selma and Montgomery. Married to Ella Mason, of Eclectic, Dec. 23, 1907.

Descendants:—

Rebecca, born and died Sept. 16, 1910.  
George Mason, born July 23, 1912.

George Mason Williams began his school career at Chisholm Grammar School, graduated from High School in Selma in May, 1929, had two years of Bible study at Tocca, Ga., received his A. B. degree at Huntingdon College, Montgomery, May, 1936. Having answered the call to the ministry, has pastored several Baptist churches and finished at the Baptist Seminary at Louisville, Ky. He was married Aug. 6, 1933, to Eureka Carr, of Montgomery. One child.

VIII. Rufus Williams lived 44 years at Eclectic, was not married.



### MARY AMANDA KIDD LEACH

Early in life she married a Mr. Leach. To them was born a son, Judson, born July 3, 1882; married Willie McGownce. Three children: Euel, born Feb. 23, 1913; Leamon, born Sept. 23, 1915; Givin, born Nov. 30, 1917. Judson was left an orphan early by the death of his mother. He was living near Eclectic.

### THERRISSIE CORNELIOUS KIDD-WILLIAMS

Born Nov. 31, 1845, died Jan. 31, 1916. Married George Washington Williams. They lived on the farm and had four children.

I. Mary Cornelious Williams-Daniels, born Jan. 12, 1870. Married Sam Daniels Jan. 13, 1938. They lived on the farm in Elmore County for years, then moved to Simsboro, La., where she now lives. Her husband is dead. To them were born two girls, Lula and Willie.

II. M. M. Williams, born July 18, 1871. Married Carrie Nichols in October, 1891. They lived three miles north of Eclectic on their farm. They have two girls, Jessie and Jimmy, a teacher. Jessie married J. L. Lett in 1909.

Descendants of Jessie Williams and J. L. Lett:—

Carrie Nell, born Feb. 17, 1918.

Nolan, born July 15, 1921.

Audrey, born April 28, 1923.

Jessie Dean, born April 28, 1926.

George, born Aug. 11, 1928.

Jimmie married L. Estes in 1920. They have one girl, Doris, born Sept. 1, 1928.

III. James Walton Williams, born Nov. 27, 1875. Married Nannie Williams on Oct. 16, 1900. They lived on their farm five miles west of Eclectic. They had three children, two boys, Frazier and Robert; one girl, Ethel Dean.

Robert married Catherine Yates. two boys and one girl.

Descendants:—

Fred Yates, born April 23, 1927.

Jessie Robert, born Sept. 17, 1928.

Mary Catherine, born Dec. 19, 1933.

Ethel Dean married Wallace Steel, of Wilsonville, Mo., Dec. 4, 1939. He owns a hatchery and has a degree from Peabody College.

Frazier married Dot McMillan.

IV. Ella Burton Williams-Bass, born April 21, 1873, died Feb. 17, 1931. Married George Lucas Bass at home Sept. 21, 1890. They lived on the farm. To them were born 15 children.

Hattie Laveon Bass-Clifton, born Aug. 2, 1891. Married John W. Clifton Jan. 25, 1913. Farmers. Have two children, John Marton, married Viola May Ballew, Knoxville, Tenn. Now lives at Charleston, S. C. Employed by the government. Mary Nannie married Herbert Mertins, Wetumpka, Ala. She works in a bank and he is a clerk.

Samuel Chester Bass, born Nov. 20, 1895. Married Edna Gantt, July 25, 1919. She died May 28, 1927. They had four children.



Helen married William Gree and have one child.

Egunia married Corporal H. Baker, Columbus, Ga.

Chester married Julian Shaw Oct. 16, 1927. They have three children, Billy, James and Martha.

Florence Marcelonia Bass-Thompson, born March 30, 1895. Married E. L. Thompson Oct. 25, 1914, who is now dead. They have two children, E. L. Jr., who married Hassie Moore, Wetumpka, Ala., and have two children, James and Lloyd.

Pershing died in July, 1936.

Mrs. Thompson married Ben Williams in 1938 and now live in Wetumpka.

Lura Williams Bass-Hudman, born Feb. 18, 1897. Married James C. Hudman Sept. 17, 1916, who is now dead. They have five boys, Lowell married in 1940 and lives in Columbus; Forrest, Fletcher, Lucas and Thomas. Farmers.

Lois Bass-Gantt, born April 4, 1899. Married Charles W. Gantt Dec. 26, 1920. He is now Commissioner of Revenue. They have three boys, Charles, Julian and Johnnie. Farmers.

Hellie Bass-Beard, born April 17, 1901. Married Monroe Beard Dec. 25, 1924. One boy, Bobby. Farmer and merchant. Have one child, Sarah, born in May, 1939.

George Lucious Bass, Jr., born March 15, 1903, died April 26, 1923. Killed by lightning.

Josephine Bass-Yarbough, born Aug. 2, 1904, and is a school teacher at Lightwood, Ala. Married N. K. Yarbough, June 4, 1926. One girl, Ellen Elizabeth. Farmer.

Mattie Janette Bass—Born March 2, 1906, died June 18, 1923.

Edna Masouria Bass-Turner—Born March 4, 1907. Married Curtis Turner Aug. 10, 1925. Two boys, Billy and Jimmie, a clerk in Post Office at Wetumpka, Ala.

Therrissia Cornelious Bass-Reyans—Born Aug. 12, 1909. Married W. R. Reyans Aug. 26, 1928. One boy, Robert.

Barton Cooper Bass—Born Oct. 25, 1913. Died June 17, 1915.

Sara Lee Bass—Born Aug. 10, 1914, died Aug. 12, 1914.

Julia Ellen Bass—Born July 20, 1915. Teacher.

James Dent Bass—Born July 17, 1916. In the Navy at Honolulu.

### SALLIE KIDD

Sallie Kidd was born Feb. 29, 1848. Married R. J. Fair Nov. 14, 1869. They moved to Texas in 1870. Their children are Lula, Claud, Corrie, Nobie, Ronie, Walter and Willie. They settled in Smith County.

I. Mary Lula Fair, first daughter of R. J. and S. E. Fair, was born Feb. 10, 1873, Smith County, Tex. Was graduated at Omen College, Omen, Smith County, Tex. After teaching school six years, was married to Syd W. Ray, architect, of Canton, Miss, on Dec. 21, 1902, at Ark, Tex. Three children:—

Sara Louise, born Aug. 12, 1906.

Lois, born Sept. 24, 1909.



Knox Alan, born July 6, 1911.

They were educated at Jacksonville High School and Lou Morris College, of Jacksonville, Tex.

Louise is secretary for Judge John C. Box and Son, of Jacksonville. Was married to Roy L. Stevens March 31, 1940.

Lois was married Aug. 10, 1929, to E. R. Smith. They now live in Salt Lake City and he is employed by the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. They have three children, Shirley Sue, born Oct. 6, 1930; Russell Ray, born Sept. 2, 1936, and Sanda Louise, born March 23, 1937.

Knox married Miss Mary Cabble, of Bursk, Tex., April 18, 1940, and is employed by Ray Drilling Co., Shreveport, La.

II. Claude Leach Fair was born Nov. 7, 1874. Joined M. E. Church at 11 years. Education, B. A. Degree. Taught school 9 years. Married March 4, 1902, to Bessie Hale, Nacogdoches, Tex. Live at Jacksonville, Tex. To the union were born three children, viz:—

Eltha Fair Baker, born May 4, 1903. Joined M. E. Church at nine years. Educated at Lou Morris College, Jacksonville, Tex. Married May 24, 1920, to Joe Hy. Baker, Crockett, Tex. To this union have been born Joe Hy., Jr., Sept. 27, 1921; Claudia Fair, March 28, 1934, and Mary Elizabeth, 1937. They live at Troup, Tex.

Herbert Hale Fair, son of C. L. Fair, born Aug. 16, 1904. Joined M. E. Church at 10 years. High school education. Married Oct. 5, 1929, to Lois Owens, Bullard, Tex. To this union have been born Bethany Jo, daughter, Dec. 5, 1934, and Herbert Hale, Jr., April 11, 1936. Live at Arp, Tex.

Claude Wilton (June) Fair, son of C. L. Fair, born March 29, 1909. Joined M. E. Church at 10 years. Educated at Lou Morris College, Jacksonville, Tex. Married Oct. 3, 1935, to Billie Fisher, Jacksonville, Tex. Lived at Jacksonville till he died June 26, 1933.

III. Corrie Cornelia Fair was born Dec. 20, 1877. Joined M. E. Church at 9 years. Graduated at Omen College, Omen, Tex. Taught school several years. Married G. W. Arnold, editor Troup Banner, Troup, Tex., 1904. Three children: Faye, Gus and Alma.

Faye born Jan. 15, 1906. Married Vernon Wiggins of Jacksonville, Tex., in 1926. School teacher for the last 18 years at Dallas, Tex.

Gus, born Nov. 11, 1908. Educated at A. & M. College. Married Ella May Huggins, Troup, Tex., in 1930. Business: Oil production.

Alma, born Dec. 19, 1919. Educated Troup High School, 1939. Married Garland Read, of Dallas, Tex., school teacher. Now living at Dallas.

IV. Nobie Fair, the fourth child of Sallie Kidd Fair, born Oct. 25, 1883, was educated at Omen, Tex., with two years college work. She married Thad Ray, Dec. 24, 1907. Descendants:—

Maxine, born Oct. 4, 1911. Valedictorian of Jacksonville High School. Also honors from Lou Morris College. She graduated from Georgetown University with cum laude honors. She is now teaching English at Jacksonville, Tex.

Florence, born Oct. 1, 1911, died June 9, 1917.



Bettie, born March 31, 1919, finished high school in 1936, and now in Lou Morris College.

VI. Vonie Fair Arthur—Born May 30, 1884, Whitehouse, Tex. Joined M. E. Church S., at age of 11 years. High school education. Music teacher, piano. Married Harold Arthur Dec. 17, 1909, Arp, Tex. Husband's business, Superintendent Atlas Oil Corp. Home at present, Farbing, La. Four children:—

Evelyn Fair Arthur—Born Aug. 4, 1912, at Arp, Tex. Joined M. E. Church S., at the age of 10 years. Finished Byrd High School at the age of 16 years, had three years of piano, one each of art and expression. Graduated at Centenary College (Methodist) at the age of 21 years. Profession, school teacher. At present is taking special course at L. S. U., Baton Rouge, La.

Mary Catherine Arthur—Born Feb. 19, 1915, Shreveport, La. Joined M. E. Church S., eight years of age. Finished Byrd High School, age 16 years. Special work in Art, three years of music (piano). Finished Centenary College in August, 1936.

Harold Macauley Arthur, Jr.—Born Jan. 1, 1920, Shreveport, La. Joined M. E. Church S., at the age of 9 years. At present, senior in Byrd High School, Shreveport, La.

Eula Jean Arthur—Born Dec. 2, 1922, Shreveport, La. Joined M. E. Church at the age of 9 years. Has just finished her Freshman year at Byrd High School, Shreveport, La.

VII. Walter Fair, born May 24, 1886, Troup, Tex. Joined M. E. Church at the age of 12. Educated at Omen College, Omen, Tex. In early life pioneered in pecan nursery business, later real estate and oil operator. Is active in civic and Christian work. At present is trustee of Lou Morris College, Jacksonville, Tex. Also trustee of Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Tex. Married Miss Mattie Allen, of Arp, Tex., in 1909., who has ably assisted him in every endeavor of their married life. Tyler, Tex., is their present home. Three children: Wilton, James and Martha.

Wilton, born Jan. 19, 1921. Majoring in law. Now attending Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Tex.

James, born Dec. 22, 1924. Now at Junior College at Tyler, Tex.

Martha, born Aug. 6, 1930. Now in grammar school, Tyler, Tex.

VIII. Willie May Fair Ray—Born Jan. 19, 1890, Omen, Tex. Joined M. E. Church S., age 11 years. High school education. Spec., art. Married Edward Lewis Ray Oct. 11, 1908. Three children born to this union. One daughter adopted. Own home at present in Farbing, La., suburb south of Shreveport. Business, landscape architect and florist.

Ruth Hazel Ray—Born July 18, 1909, died age 6, Sept. 20, 1915.

Richard Lewis Ray—Born Oct. 5, 1916, Troup, Tex. Joined M. E. Church South, age 10. Finished high school, age 16. Junior in Centenary (Methodist) College, Shreveport, La. Majoring in economics. Is member of Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

Robert Joel Ray—Born June 27, 1919, Tyler, Tex. Joined M. E. Church South, age 8 years. Will finish Byrd High School, June of this year, 1936.

Martha Virginia Ray—Born Oct. 19, 1927. Adopted at age 1 year, 6 months.



Robert J. Fair died March 1, 1941, nearly 94 years of age. Sallie Kidd Fair, his wife, is now 93, and lives at Jacksonville, Tex.

Following is a clipping from the Jacksonville Daily.

Jacksonville, March 1, 1941—R. H. Fair, 93, father of R. W. Fair of Tyler and the last Cherokee County Civil War veteran, died in a Jacksonville hospital Saturday at 8 a.m. after an illness of several months. Funeral services will be held Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Jacksonville Methodist Church. The Rev. Stewart Clendin, pastor, and the Rev. C. E. Peoples, president of Lon Morris College will conduct the service. Burial will be in City Cemetery.

A native of Alabama, Fair served in a company from his state during the Civil War. After the war he came to Texas and engaged in farming and nursery business near Arp for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Fair observed their seventy-first wedding anniversary in November of last year. Fair moved to Jacksonville about 23 years ago. He was active in Methodist Church work until his age caused his retirement.

Survivors are his widow, who was 93 years old Saturday; two sons, R. W. Fair of Tyler and C. L. Fair of Jacksonville; five daughters, Mrs. S. W. Ray and Mrs. T. L. Ray of Jacksonville, Mrs. E. L. Ray and Mrs. H. M. Arthur of Shreveport, La., and Mrs. Wilson Arnold of Troup; 20 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Pallbearers are Knox Ray, Richard Ray, Robert Ray, Herbert Fair, James Fair, Wilton Fair, McCauley Arthur, and Gus Arnold, all grandsons, and Joe Henry Baker, great grandson.

Williamson Holmes Funeral Church is in charge of funeral arrangements.

### SUSAN DICKENSON KIDD

Susan Dickenson Kidd, eighth daughter of Seaborn J. and Mary Carlton Kidd, was born May 15, 1850. Married to Joel Phillip Pearson Nov. 22, 1876.

Descendants:—

Marvin Hunter, born Nov. 16, 1877. Montgomery, Ala.

Lula Mae, born Oct. 1, 1879. Montgomery, Ala.

Kate Lee, born June 11, 1882. Bible House, Dexter Ave., Montgomery, Ala.

Oscar Orlando, born Nov. 29, 1884, died July 12, 1889.

Laura Zimmerman, born Jan. 26, 1887.

Clara Belle, born July 10, 1890. Home Eclectic, Ala.

Marvin Pearson and Lena Collins were married Sept. 27, 1903. Graduate of Southern University, teaches in Montgomery public schools.

Descendants:—

Clyde Collins, born Sept. 22, 1904.

Ernestine, born Aug. 16, 1907.

Nellie, born Oct. 12, 1909.

William Marvin, born Nov. 21, 1924.

Clyde Pearson and Ida Mae Adams were married June 26, 1934. One child, Clyde, Jr., born Sept. 22, 1938.



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Nell Pearson and Vaughn Williford were married July 11, 1935.

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Lula Mae Pearson and Young James Howard were married Oct. 10, 1897.

Descendants:—

Gladys, born July 15, 1899.

James Pearson, born Aug. 5, 1902. Graduate State University.

Laura Evelyn, born Nov. 26, 1904.

Marjorie, born April 14, 1907.

Clemens Azel, born July 22, 1909.

Carlton, born Aug. 2, 1912.

Mary Sue, born Dec. 22, 1914.

Connell, born Feb. 2, 1917.

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Glays Howard and Verd V. Mitchell were married Oct. 1917.

Descendants:—

Verd Venton, born Nov. 26, 1918.

Monta, born July 2, 1922.

Pearson Howard and Jean Cox, of Artesia, Miss., were married Dec., 1918.

Descendant:—

Bobbie Jean, born Aug., 1931.

Marjorie Howard and Hubert Bonner, of Choctaw County, were married Sept., 1930.

Descendants:—

Hubert, born Sept., 1931.

Elizabeth.

Clemens Howard and Catherine Chitwood, of Littleton, Ala., were married in 1933.

Descendant:—

James Clemens, born June, 1935.

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Kate Pearson and James Statham Goree were married Oct. 29, 1903.

Descendants:—

Mae Dene, born Oct. 22, 1904.

Reginald, born Feb. 26, 1908.

Mae Dene Goree and Clarence Rhett Trousdale were married Nov. 21, 1925.

Descendants:—

Clarence Rhett, Jr., born Sept. 18, 1926.

Patricia, born May 28, 1930.

Jane, born May 16, 1932.

Reginald Goree and Peggy Davis, of Decatur, Ala., were married June 24, 1931.

Descendant:—

Gayle, born Aug., 1933.

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Laura Pearson and Alpha Clayton Rogers were married May 26, 1909. Home at Speigners.

Descendants:—

Laura Gayle, born March 21, 1910. Graduate of State University.

Sara Claire, born Oct. 2, 1913.



Louise, born Jan. 3, 1914.

Alpha Clayton, Jr., born July 25, 1918.

Laura Gayle Rogers and Joseph Jolly were married Oct. 17, 1931.

Descendants:—

Philip Clayton, born April 10, 1934.

Joseph Jolly, born July 22, 1937.

Sara Claire Rogers and James Peacock were married Feb. 29, 1936.

Descendant:—

James Lowe Peacock, Jr., born Oct. 23, 1940.

### JAMES A. KIDD

JAMES A. KIDD, the ninth child of Seaborn Kidd, was born Aug. 20, 1853, died Oct. 15, 1883, at Wadsworth, Ala. He was married to Sallie James Feb. 17, 1879. Sallie James Kidd was born Dec. 23, 1853 and she died April 30, 1930 at Eclectic, Ala. Descendants: one boy, James Claudius Kidd was born May 11, 1879 at Clanton, Ala., died Nov. 10, 1912 at Eclectic, Ala. He was married to Fannie Lolia Yates on Dec. 11, 1898. She died March 23, 1915. He was a farmer and logman, owned his home and farm at Eclectic, Ala. Their descendants: James Dawson Kidd, born Aug. 17, 1899, married Maye Venable Thornton Dec. 28, 1926. His occupation is a bus driver.

Carrie Zimmerman Kidd was born April 7, 1901 at Kent, Ala. Died Feb. 1, 1932 at Montgomery, Ala. She was married to James A. Woodall June 30, 1920. He worked in the post office at Montgomery, Ala. To them were born three sons: James Kidd Woodall, born April 8, 1921, at Montgomery, Ala. He graduated May 28, 1940 at the Elmore County High School, Eclectic, Ala. Harold Fredrick Woodall, born July 7, 1924, and Reginald McGee Woodall, born April 13, 1928.

Bessie Lois Kidd was born Aug. 22, 1903, at Eclectic, Ala., and was married to Eldridge Barker on Dec. 1, 1932. He died June 15, 1934 at Eclectic. His occupation was a barber. She was married again Dec. 4, 1936, to Onis C. Yates, a soldier at Maxwell Field, Montgomery.

Vivian LaRene Kidd was born Sept. 22, 1905, at Eclectic, Ala. She was married to Vernon Tucker Dec. 8, 1934. To them were born two little girls: Maydean Tucker, born March 17, 1937, at Eclectic, Ala.; Elizabeth Ann Tucker, born Aug. 24, 1939, at Eclectic. His occupation is a carpenter.

Claudean Kidd was born Aug. 28, 1908 at Eclectic, Ala., and graduated at Elmore County High School May 31, 1927. Finished business course at Draughon College, Montgomery, Ala., and worked as secretary at the Empire Laundry for years.

Claudius Kidd was born May 6, 1913 at Kent, Ala. His occupation is a farmer and logman.

### ELIZA CAROLIN KIDD

ELIZA CAROLIN KIDD GLENN was born at Eclectic, Elmore County, on Dec. 18, 1875. She married Rev. B. C. Glenn living in the same community, who afterwards became a prominent member of the Alabama Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.



South. To them were born an only daughter, Elizabeth Carolin, Jan. 29, 1877, at which time the mother died.

Elizabeth Carolin was educated at the old Tuskegee Woman's College at Tuskegee, Ala., majoring in art and later taking work at other institutions. She later was a teacher in the college of Tallahassee, Fla., and is now employed at Gainsville, Fla. She was married to C. F. McZell of Enterprise, Ala., June 7, 1899. Their children are Mary Helen, born Aug. 6, 1901; Bascom Fenando, born June 7, 1903; John Kener, born July 12, 1906, and Sarah Pauline, born Aug. 31, 1913.

Mary Hellin married W. Paul Shirley Nov. 7, 1920, and to them were born Carolin Glenn Nov. 7, 1922. Their home is Tallahassee, Florida.

Bascom Fenando married Alice Evens in Jan. 1931. They have one child, Bascom, Jr., born in Jan. 1932. John Kener married Mary Hale Dec. 26, 1932.

Charles Glenn married Ruth McDannal in Nov. 1937. They have one child, Charles, Jr., born Dec. 1, 1939. Sarah Pauline married Archie M. Black July 7, 1934. They have one child, Caroline, born Feb. 3, 1936.

#### WILLIAM MATHAS KIDD

William Mathas Kidd was born Sept. 2, 1850. Married Willie Kenon Rose, March 3, 1885. One child to this union, Julia Mamie Kidd, born July 22, 1888.

Willie Rose Kidd died Oct. 25, 1901.

William Mathas Kidd married Stella Zoe Hallford June 1, 1904. One child to this union, William Mathas Kidd, Jr., born Aug. 15, died Oct. 1, 1908.

Julia Mamie Kidd married Obie L. Jackson June 22, 1910. Two children to this union:—

Obie L. Jackson, Jr., born Aug. 6, 1911.

Robert William Jackson, born July 21, 1914.

Obie L. Jackson, Sr., died Dec. 9, 1915.

Julia Mamie Jackson married Edwin Leslie Phillips, June 2, 1917. Two children to this union:—

Edwin Leslie Phillips, born Sept. 28, 1919.

Obie L. Jackson, Jr., married Jerry Maxine Binkherd, Jan. 18, 1930. Died Oct. 5, 1932.

Robert William Jackson married Kathryn Spivey, Aug. 28, 1934.

#### FEATURES OF MENTION

Miss Mary Smith was recently granted an A. B. Degree from Huntingdon College in recognition of her scholarship and long service as teacher.

Kid Williams was given a trip for himself and wife to the World's Fair in recognition of his service as an employee of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

A. C. Rodgers was a lay member of the Methodist Protestant Church and was a member of the Board of Church Extention and



secretary and treasurer of that board. He was also a member of the Board of Samaritans and the treasurer of that board. He was elected a delegate to the uniting conference of all Methodism at Kansas City and likewise a delegate to the general conference of Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference, receiving the highest vote of all laymen. He has been elected to the Board of Church Extension of the Alabama Conference and was made treasurer of that board.

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Miss Mary Arthur, the daughter of Mrs. Vane (Fair) Arthur, was given a one-fourth page picture in the Shreveport Times for her activities and prominence in Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority of Centenary College.

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Notably among accomplishments and honors is the election of Miss Blanche Bachelor of Atmore, Ala., to the presidency of the 4-H Club of the State and awarded a trip to Washington, D. C. in June 1941.

Her picture appears in the Arcidian Growers Journal, widely circulated nitrate advertising. The note accompanying the picture is as follows:

#### CHARM AND ACHIEVEMENT

Introducing MISS BLANCHE BACHELOR, a senior II at Atmore, Escambia County, and active 4-H Clubster. And a very accomplished young lady she is!

At the short course at Auburn last year, she was selected as president of the State 4-H Club Council. The first time she went to Auburn she paid her way by milking all Summer. But NEXT SUMMER, she will attend the National 4-H Club Conference at Washington, D. C., with all her expenses paid!

She is the great granddaughter of Lucy Kidd Williams and granddaughter of Lula Williams Wideman.

Her grandmother herself is a teacher at 64 and recently took a short course at the State University.

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Louise Rodgers, granddaughter of Susie Kidd Pearson and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers, was the first to get a Bachelor of Music degree from the State University of Alabama.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Fair, the wife, our Aunt Sallie Kidd, celebrated their 71st marriage anniversary Nov. 14 of this year. They are both in excellent health, with no physical defects except that Aunt Sallie is slightly deaf.

One interesting feature in their family life is that three of his daughters married three sons of a neighbor named Ray. His son Walter is an independent oil operator besides having a large peach orchard interest and originated the Fair Peach, which is well known.—From a Jacksonville paper.



Following is a letter to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Fair, Jacksonville, Texas, from Brady P. Gentry, County Judge at Tyler, Texas:

March 16th, 1937

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Fair,  
Jacksonville, Texas.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Fair:

I have just read an article in this morning's Tyler paper concerning you. I want to congratulate you on the long and useful life you have enjoyed.

My own father is eighty-five years of age and I know something from him of the way a person looks at things in the twilight of life.

You are to be congratulated not only in your personal contribution to good citizenship but in the fine children you reared. I am sure that should Tyler select its most highly regarded and useful citizen, Walter Fair would receive that distinction. We have no better man.

I want to wish you many more years of good health and happiness. Since you came from Alabama, as did all my people, including my father, and belong to the best (Methodist) church, I believe the good Lord will grant my wish.

With best regards always to both of you I am,

Yours very truly,  
BRADY P. GENTRY.

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SEABORN CARLTON joined the Eighth Alabama Infantry Winston's Regiment, subsequently Webster's; was wounded at the famous battle of Gettysburg and twice captured during the war. When he started for the scene of conflict in 1861, his sorrowing mother gave him a two and a half dollar gold piece; which he retained to the hour of his death.

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Uncle Robert Fair, who died March 1, 1941, was 93 years of age. He fought in the Confederate Army and his picture was given front page space in the Jacksonville Daily with a column write-up of his long and useful life in the city.