



"My Country 'Tis of Thee, Sweet Land of Liberty."

OBITUARY

Rev. B. Holder

Mr. Editor: To scatter sunshine in the lives of all those around us and show flowers in their pathway while living and not wait until they sleep in the bosom of mother earth should be the highest purpose of us all. Yet there are many things about our loved ones when they are gone from us that we cherish and would like to keep fresh and green in our memories which can best be done by making a record of them. And that, Mr. Editor, is my apology for trespassing upon your valuable space to say a few things and pay a small tribute to my late lamented friend, Rev. B. Holder. It is, of course, known that on the morning of January 29, 1918, his spirit took its flight and returned to the God who gave it, and that we laid his body away in the cemetery at Secona Baptist church the day following, beside his first wife, to await the great resurrection. Dr. D. M. Ramsay conducted the last sad rites and paid a beautiful tribute to his memory and his grand sons acted as pallbearers. His age was not clear, but from the best data obtainable had he lived until the 23d day of next March he would have been 95 years old. He was the oldest citizen, I think, in this county—certainly the oldest preacher—and it is thought he was the oldest Baptist preacher in the state.

He was twice married. His first wife was Miss Malinda E. Ferguson to whom he was married about 1850. She died in 1885. To this union were born eleven children, to-wit: Mrs. Rebecca Smalley, James Holder, Mrs. Margaret Boatwright, Mrs. Annie Davis, J. D. Holder, Mrs. Addie Davis, B. L. Holder, Mrs. Nora Jones, Mrs. Sallie Greer, M. M. Holder, and Mrs. Lola Porter, all of whom are still living, except James Holder and M. M. Holder, and all grown and married and have families.

About 1890 he was married to Miss Rebecca Kenmore, of North Carolina, who with one daughter, Miss Eva, survive him.

It is not known definitely how long he has been in the ministry, but it is thought for sixty years or more. He was ordained at old Secona church and immediately began his life work of preaching the gospel, and since then his labors have been given freely for the salvation of men. He has been pastor of almost all the churches in this county and several in Anderson and Oconee and other counties of this state and also in North Carolina and Georgia. The men and women, boys and girls who have been led into a higher and better life will never be known in this world but they are the jewels in his crown now. He was a life long foe to intemperance and it was largely through his influence and his efforts that this county shook off the dispensary and put herself on the dry side.

He was one of the constituent members of the Pickens Baptist church in 1891 but had transferred his membership and at his death was a member of the Pickens Mill church. He was also a member of the Masonic order in good standing. He was a man of strong convictions, a pure, upright life. Full of vigor and a clear conception of his duty he never lost an opportunity to fight sin and wickedness. The Bible was his daily companion and was the foundation of his storehouse of knowledge. Truly it can be said he was a man of the Book of books. Though dead he yet speaks and his words do follow him. The influence of his Godly life will live on and be a rich blessing to those he has left behind. He has left a rich heritage to his children and grand children, a long, useful life, full of honor and integrity. Not a spot of unselfishness, dishonesty or any such thing and his memory should be an inspiration to us all.

"Servant of God, well done;
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy.

"Soldier of Christ, well done;
Praise be thy new employ;
And, while the eternal ages run,
Rest in thy Saviour's joy."
—A Friend.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ponder Thomas

Death, the grim reaper, with his burnished sickle, ever ready to sever the silver cord, invaded our midst on the morning of January 31st, at two o'clock, and for his toll took away one whom we all loved and revered, Mrs. Elizabeth Ponder Thomas, and although his coming was not unexpected, it has left a shadow and a sadness in the home, and the entire community that only time can remove.

For many years this dear one has been a patient, weary sufferer from many ills the flesh is heir to, and for the last five or six years she has been blind and almost helpless. But, like that patriarch of old who bore his sufferings and afflictions so bravely, she never lost sight of God and all His goodness and blessings, and by that sweet, abiding faith she was enabled to the last to bear with meek humility all the pain and sufferings that were her lot, ever remembering that "whom God loveth He chasteneth."

It is not often the case that one has

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the opportunity of knowing one who is so worthy of emulation as was the subject of this sketch. She was so pure and high-minded, always looking for the right side and sticking to it all odds. As long as she was able she visited the sick and the poor, with an open hand ever ready to administer food and raiment to the needy, many of whom, when they learn of her death, will "rise up and call her blessed."

Mrs. Thomas before her marriage to J. P. Thomas of Spartanburg, was Miss Elizabeth Ponder, a sister of W. J. Ponder of Dacusville. She was left twenty years ago a widow with six children to rear and educate, and, though many times the way, no doubt, seemed long and hard, still she was spared to complete this task, living to see them all grown, and three of them married. Their names are as follows: John P. Thomas, Greenville; R. P. Thomas, Greenville; Lucius P. Thomas, Dacusville; Mrs. Arthur Christopher, Duncan; Mrs. Frank Hunt, Greenville; Miss Bessie Thomas, Dacusville. All of them were at her bedside when the end came, except Mrs. Christopher, who was detained by severe illness in her home. These dear children have been a blessing and comfort for years to their invalid mother, and left no deed undone that could be done for her comfort.

The end came so quietly and peacefully you could scarcely tell—she having for several days before her death lapsed into coma, that deep sleep, the twin-sister of death, and without a sign of pain, she crossed the "Great Divide."

Who can tell of the rapture when those eyes, so long dim to the light of day, had that promised vision, the beautiful sight of heaven and its glories! That is one of the sweetest thoughts to think that that veil of darkness has been removed, and she can now "see Him face to face."

The funeral services were beautiful in their simplicity, being conducted in the presence of many relatives and friends by Rev. Mr. Aiken, pastor of Berea Baptist church, of which she had long been a consecrated member. The interment was at the family burial plot near her girlhood home, and she was laid beside her husband in that final resting place, where the winds will sing a lonely requiem over the mound that contains all that is mortal of this loved one, whose going away has left a vacancy that can never be filled.

The flowers were the most beautiful of the season, and it was the largest and handsomest collection I have ever seen on any one casket. —A Friend.

Liberty Singing Convention

The Liberty Township Singing convention will meet with the First Methodist church at Liberty third Sunday in February, commencing at 10 o'clock. Everybody cordially invited to come.

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SUMMONS FOR RELIEF.

State of South Carolina,
County of Pickens.
In the Court of Common Pleas.

J. E. Barton and Mrs. Minnie Anderson,
Plaintiffs,
against

Mrs. Mamie McMahan, Mrs. Nettie Wallace, Mrs. Emma Gunter, Mrs. Parmelia Barton Collier, Eugenia H. Edwards, W. A. Dover, Andrew Archer Dover, Mrs. Estelle Dover Turner, (wife of Ivy C. Turner), Mrs. Amy Dover Stephens, (also known as Mrs. H. J. Stephens), Mrs. Ida B. Dover, (widow of William Luther Dover, deceased), Clifford Dover who is an infant over fourteen years of age, Eula Hackney (wife of D. D. Hackney), and who is an infant over fourteen years of age, to-wit, twenty years of age; Lucile Dover who is an infant under fourteen years of age, to-wit, eleven years of age; Amy Dover who is an infant under fourteen years of age, to-wit, nine years of age; and all and singular the heirs at law, distributees, legatees and devisees, if any, of Van B. Archer, deceased, (who died many years ago in Texas or elsewhere and who was a son of Malinda Archer), whose names, ages and places of residence are unknown and cannot be ascertained; and also all other persons whomsoever (if any) whose names, ages, and places of residence are unknown and cannot be ascertained, who have, or claim to have, any interest, legal or equitable, either by purchase or inheritance, as heirs at law distributees legatees or devisees, of Malinda Archer, deceased, or otherwise, or who have or claim to have any interest, claim, lien, encumbrance, or other demand, whatsoever, in, upon, or concerning, the following described real estate (or the proceeds of sale thereof,) irrespective of the character thereof and irrespective of how the same may have been acquired, to-wit: All that certain tract of land containing about seventy-six (76) acres, more or less, situate in Easley township, Pickens county, South Carolina, on the public road leading from Easley, South Carolina, to Greenville, South Carolina, and being about one and one-half (1½) miles from the town of Easley, South Carolina, and adjoining lands of estate of E. H. Barton, deceased, lands of Pickens Brothers, lands of Glenwood Cotton Mills, and others, and being the same real estate whereof Malinda Archer, formerly of Pickens county, South Carolina, died, seized and possessed, and being the real estate mentioned and disposed of in the will of the said Malinda Archer, deceased.

Defendants.

SUMMONS FOR RELIEF.

To the defendants above named, including those above described as unknown (being all persons designated above as defendants).

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which was on the 28th day of January, 1918, filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for Pickens County, South Carolina, at Pickens, South Carolina, and which is still on file in said office, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers at their offices at Anderson, South Carolina, within twenty days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiffs in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

January 28, 1918.
SULLIVAN & COOLEY,
Attorneys for Plaintiffs.
(Anderson, S. C.)

Attest:
O. S. STEWART. (Seal.)
Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for Pickens County, South Carolina.

To the defendants above named, including the absent defendants and those above described as unknown (being all persons designated above as defendants).

You will please take notice that the complaint in this action was filed in the office of the Clerk of Court of Common Pleas for Pickens County, South Carolina, at Pickens,

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South Carolina, on the 28th day of January, 1918; that the objects of the action are, briefly, to exclude all persons from any interest whatsoever, and from any claim, lien, encumbrance, or other demand, whatsoever, in, upon, or concerning, the following described real estate, or the proceeds of sale thereof, to-wit: All that certain tract of land containing about seventy-six (76) acres, more or less, situate in Easley township, Pickens county, South Carolina, on the public road leading from Easley, South Carolina, to Greenville, South Carolina, and being about one and one-half (1½) miles from the town of Easley, South Carolina, and adjoining lands of estate of E. H. Barton, deceased, lands of Pickens Brothers, lands of Glenwood Cotton Mills, and others, and being the same real estate whereof Malinda Archer, formerly of Pickens county, South Carolina, died, seized and possessed, and being the real estate mentioned and disposed of in the will of the said Malinda Archer, deceased; to procure a construction of the will of the said Malinda Archer, deceased; to procure a sale of said real estate and a distribution of the proceeds of sale thereof among the persons entitled thereto under said will as construed by the court (and to ex-

clude all others therefrom) and to ascertain and determine such persons; and to procure such other and further relief as to the court may seem just and equitable; and that no personal claim is made against any of you.

January 28th, 1918.
SULLIVAN & COOLEY,
Attorneys for Plaintiffs.
(Anderson, S. C.)

Attest:
O. S. STEWART. (Seal.)
Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for Pickens County, South Carolina.

To the infant defendants Clifford Dover, Lucile Dover, and Amy Dover, and to their mother, Mrs. Ida B. Dover, the person with whom they reside; to the infant defendant Eula Hackney and to her husband D. D. Hackney, the person with whom she resides; to such of the absent or unknown defendants as are infants, if any there are, and to the persons with whom they reside:

You will please take notice that you are required, within twenty days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service, to apply for the appointment of a guardian ad litem to represent said infant defendants in the above entitled action; and if you fail to

make such application within the time aforesaid, the plaintiffs in this action will procure such appointment to be made.
January 28th, 1918.
SULLIVAN & COOLEY,
Attorneys for Plaintiffs.
(Anderson, S. C.)

Attest:
O. S. STEWART. (Seal.)
C. C. C. P. for Pickens County, South Carolina.

Notice of Final Settlement and Discharge

Notice is hereby given that I will make application to J. B. Newberry, Esq., Judge of Probate for Pickens county, in the state of South Carolina, on the 15th day of March, 1918, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, or as soon thereafter as said application can be heard, for leave to make final settlement of the estate of Aaron Boggs, deceased, and obtain discharge as executor of said estate.
A. J. BOGGS, Executor.

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