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## THE MCGILL FAMILY TREE.

IT IS A CREDITABLE PIECE OF WORK.

Two Hundred and Eighty Descendants  
From Captain William and  
Martha Henry McGill.  
An Old Family.

(Correspondence of The Ledger.)

ETTA JANE, Nov. 18.—According to promise we give this week an account of the McGill family tree painted by Miss R. Emma Kennedy, of Yorkville, who is also a granddaughter of John McGill.

This tree represents one of the oldest, most influential and numerous family connections in the Eastern Cherokee and Western York, and its publication will no doubt be interesting to many of the relatives, friends and acquaintances who are The Ledger's patrons.

To Miss Bell Plaxico, of Kings Creek, I am greatly indebted for the help she has given me in getting the list of the families from the tree. She is one of Cherokee's most excellent young ladies and also a descendant of the McGill family.

There may be some omission of, or misspelled names, but in the main the tree as a family record is almost absolutely correct.

A photograph of this tree can be seen in Mr. R. M. Plaxico's parlor. It reflects credit on the skill and ingenuity of the fair hand that painted the original. We hope the young ladies of Cherokee county (and elsewhere) will follow Miss Kennedy's example and thus preserve family records that will prove a source of satisfaction to coming generations.

The trunk, or body, of the tree represents the man and wife (Captain William and Martha Henry McGill). Capt. Wm. McGill is the father, grand-father great-grand-father, etc., of the family. Capt. McGill was born December 25th, 1775; married April 1804, died Aug. 25, 1868. He was the father of fourteen children and therefore there are fourteen branches on the tree, the oldest child being the first or lower branch, that one being Elizabeth McGill McElwee, next Jas. H. McGill, Jno. McGill, William McGill, Infant, Thos. McGill, Infant, Mary McGill Caldwell, Jas. Henry McGill, Infant, Martha S. McGill, Adam A. Jackson McGill, Jane Caroline McGill, Whitesides, Emeline McGill Glenn, Isabella McGill Simril. And each of these branches has other branches extending from that branch representing his or her children, and so does these branches (last branch mentioned) have branches and so on, so far as the generation has reached making a complete tree. Of course, some limbs have more branches than others, but some of the children have more children and grand children than others, making the tree more natural, for if the tree had each limb just alike it would not be at all natural. Some of the children died while infants and of course these branches have no branches. The grand-children number sixty-five, great-grand-children 173, great-great-grand children twenty-eight and children fourteen, making a total of 280 children, and the two parents making a family of 282 members. The ones that are dead are marked with \* on the tree and can be seen in the photograph. The tree was drawn on a white sheet of paper with a pencil and was in a frame, I don't know just the size but would guess about 4x29 inches being large enough for you to read the names at a little distance from it. The following is a roll of the names as given by our informant, though a few may be omitted:

Children of Elizabeth M. McElwee—W. Thompson McElwee, A. Jackson McElwee, Jno. Meek McElwee, Rachel N. McElwee, Thos. M. McElwee, Infant, Robert N. McElwee, B. F. McElwee, children of Jno. M. McElwee—Sallie Faulkner; children of E. N. McElwee—Katie Belle McElwee, Newman N. McElwee, Frank L. McElwee, Walter McElwee, Willie and Mary McElwee; children of Sallie Faulkner.—Frank, Anna, Mary, Lizzie, Beola, Katie, Wm. Meek and S. Leslie Faulkner; children of Jno. McGill—Rachel A. Kennedy, Mattie J. Erwin, Nancy E. Plaxico, Elizabeth C. McGill, Elinor Belle Thompson, Wm. Meek McGill, Jas. C. McGill; children of Rachel A. Kennedy—Ida E. Wylie, Martha M. Kennedy, N. Belle Kennedy, Jno. M., Jas. B., R. Emma, Wm. M. Jr., Amelia E., Carrie J., R. Moffatt, and Barron Divane Kennedy; children of M. J. Erwin—Rachel C., S. Erwin; children of A. E. Plaxico—Minnie C. Quinn, Meek E. Plaxico, John Emmet, James Livy, Rachel Belle, Mattie E. Oscar B. Wister T., and Victor K. Plaxico; children of E. B. Thompson—Luther G., R. Carrie and Ella J. Thompson; children of Wm. M. McGill—R. Bessie, R. Baxter, Jno. Mason, Claud R., W. Frank, Carrie J., Grady D., Fred T., and Julia Bell McGill; children of J.C. McGill—M. Ethel, H. Bonner, Rufus G., and Edith R. McGill; children of

## LATEST COTTON MILL NEWS.

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO TEXTILE WORKERS.

North and South Carolina Mills, Their Improvements and Their Advancements—Operative Personal.

(Southern and Western Textile Excelsior.)

C. L. Chandler has left the Tucapau Mills, Wellford, S. C., and quit the mill business.

George A. Howell the new manager of the Edna Mills, Reidsville, N. C., will move his family there from Charlotte on Dec. 1.

R. H. Thompson of Concord, N. C., has accepted a loom fixing job at the Highland Park Manufacturing Co.'s mill, Charlotte.

E. D. Stogner, of the Huguenot Mill, at Greenville, S. C., has gone to the Proximity Mill, Greensboro, N. C., to run a beaming frame.

W. S. Long and wife, and E. B. Stogner, of the Roberdel Mill, Rockingham, N. C., are now at the Proximity Mill, Greensboro, N. C.

W. J. Jones of Burlington, N. C., has given up his position in a cotton mill at that place and moved to Salisbury, N. C., to work for the Southern Railway.

D. C. Coble, who has been beamer at the Huguenot Mill, Greenville, S. C., is stopping in Charlotte a few days on his way to Burlington, N. C., where he will spend a while with his mother.

A new cotton house has been built for the Wagon Cotton Mills, Lexington, N. C. And the old foundation for the furnace in the boiler room was torn down last week and a new one built in its place.

J. L. Gribble, formerly overseer of the spinning at the Red Bluff Cotton Mills, Clio, S. C., is now overseer of spinning at the Ada Mill, Charlotte succeeding W. P. Wingate, who was promoted to the superintendency of said mill.

J. D. Farr, who has been boss weaver at the Huguenot Mills, Greenville, S. C., has accepted a similar job with a mill at Petersburg, Va. All the hands who were under his management wish him much success in his new home.

The Huguenot Mills, Greenville, S. C., have put two more new spinning frames in their mill. All their spinning and carding are running day and night, and about 104 of their looms. They manufacture all kinds of colored goods.

H. E. Bates, who has been fixing looms at the Spartan Cotton Mill No. 2, Spartanburg, S. C., has been promoted to second hand in said mill, taking R. T. Grant's place, who is now weaving overseer at the Charlotte, N. C. Cotton Mills.

Robt. E. Ligon, secretary and manager of the Anderson, S. C., Cotton Mills, desires to know the whereabouts of Luther Green who worked in the Laurens, S. C., Cotton Mills last December, also at Enoree, S. C., and went from there to North Carolina.

The news comes from Bennettsville, S. C., that work will soon commence on the building for their \$100,000 cotton mill. The company was incorporated last August, the leading incorporators being D. D. McColl, T. W. Bouchier, P. L. Breeden and others.

We are requested to correct the report concerning the changes at Pelham, S. C., Cotton Mills. A. C. Franklin, the boss spinning, has been promoted to night assistant superintendent. J. J. Fowler has charge of the carding in daytime, D. E. Byars the same at night.

W. M. Ashe, Jr., of Yorkville, S. C., has made a trade whereby he is to furnish the bricks necessary for the proposed addition to the York Cotton Mills for their equivalent in stock. He says, however, that his first offer to take stock in a new mill payable in brick at the market price is still open.

President and Treasury Jno. C. Cary, of the Lockhart, S. C., Cotton Mills, who has been ill for several weeks, is on duty again. Eula Jeter has been made second hand in carding, in place of Mr. Cash. The Lockhart waste house was burned to the ground recently. J. W. Brown, of Pelzer, is now second weaver at Lockhart.

John Pope, loom fixer, late of Union, S. C., is back with the Brookside Mills, Knoxville, Tenn.; also Will White of Lindale, Ga. Very few leave Brookside but who return or at least express their desire to do so, says our correspondent from there. He adds that nearly all the Brookside girls are wearing soldier buttons and soldier hats, and expects someone also to adopt the leggings.

The Spartan Cotton Mills, the Whitney, S. C., Manufacturing Co., and

the Lockhart, S. C., Cotton Mills all held their annual meetings on Nov. 12 at Spartanburg, S. C. They each re-elected old officers. On Jan. 1 the Spartan Mills will pay a dividend of 3 per cent. on their capital stock of \$1,000,000; Whitney 2 1/2 per cent. on their increased capital stock of \$262,000; and Lockhart 3 per cent. on \$650,000, all of which we understand are semi-annual dividends.

Last Monday morning a special train left Spartanburg, for Abbeville, S. C., carrying a number of capitalists interested in the cotton mills at Abbeville. Among them were S. L. Milliken and son, of New York; M. Danielson, of Providence, R. I.; Mr. Greene, of New Jersey, a retired capitalist; President Bailey, of the Abbeville Cotton Mills who invited the party to his town; Col. J. B. Cleveland, Capt. John E. Montgomery, Dr. Jesse F. Cleveland, Messrs. V. M. and W. S. Montgomery, Rev. W. T. Derieux and Dr. H. A. Ligon.

## Cherokee Falls Chronicle.

(Correspondence of The Ledger.)

CHEROKEE FALLS, Nov. 22.—We have had an abundance of rain during the past week, and we certainly have one of the muddiest runs in Cherokee county during rainy weather.

The boiler for heating purposes for the mill has arrived.

It seems like the Caucasian race have been slumbering, and the negro has stolen a march, but to whites are awaking to a sense of duty, and are determined to down negro domination.

Rev. J. D. Bailey's apartments have been changed from the fourth Sunday night to Saturday night before the fourth Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hale had the sad misfortune of finding their four-month-old baby dead in bed some days ago. They have the sympathy of the entire community at the loss of their only child.

Mr. Jet Ford and Mrs. Hattie Raffield of this place were married on the 13th inst.

James Cobb, one of the S. C. V., Second Regiment, is at home on a furlough.

Mr. Farman Hardin, one of Smyrna's young farmers, was to see us last Saturday.

The citizens of this community seem well pleased with the commutation tax, and expect good roads as the result soon. F. G. BOY.

Respectfully Referred to: "Kernal"

MR. EDITOR:—As "J. L. S." is fond of asking questions I thought I would ask him to give his answers to a few if you will publish them:

1. What general as captured while sitting up in bed?
2. Who is known as the father of history?
3. Where is Cape Diolation?
4. Where is Bug river?
5. What animal has three eyelids?
6. What is the "puing pig"?
7. Who first invented letters?
8. What is the difference between a story and a novel?
9. From what is camel made?
10. Why are there three valves in the right side of the heart?
11. Who was the Indian Apostle?
12. How is the wild bounded?
13. How many counties has Texas?
14. What is the use for dividing decimals?
15. Has Patagoni any capital?

If not why not?  
STUDENT.

## The Sure La Gippe Cure.

There is no use suffering from this dreadful malady, if you will only get the right remedy. you are having pain all through your body, your liver is out of order, have no appetite, no life or ambition, have a bad cold, in fact are completely used up. Electric Bitters is the only remedy that will give you prompt and sure relief. They act on your Liver, Stomach and Kidneys, tones up the whole system and make you feel like a new being. They are guaranteed to cure or price refunded. For sale by DuPre Drug Co., only 5 cents per bottle.

The big jewel robbery in New York is still unsolved.

The sooner a cough or cold is cured without harm to the sufferer the better. Lingering coughs are dangerous. Hacking cough is distressing. One Minute Cough Cure quickly cures it. Why suffer when such a cough cure is within reach? It is pleasant to the taste. Cherokee Drug Company, Gaffney, R. S. Withers & Co., Blacksburg.

The Spanish troops in Havana are still muttering.

A cough is not like a fever. It does not have to run a certain course. Cure it quickly and effectually with One Minute Cough Cure, the best remedy for all ages and for the most severe cases. We recommend it because it's good. Cherokee Drug Company, Gaffney, R. S. Withers & Co., Blacksburg.

## LOWER CHEROKEE NOTES.

THE SAGE OF ETTA JANE'S CONTRIBUTION.

The People Greatly Shocked to Learn of Mr. A. A. Sarratt's Sudden

Death—Neighborhood News Items.

(Correspondence of The Ledger.)

ETTA JANE, Nov. 21.—There are no new cases of chills in this section that I know of.

Referring to the illustrated Proverb given us by Mrs. C. W. Whisonant last week we are made to say (11) instead of (21) chapter, 19th verse. It reads: "It is better to dwell in the wilderness, than with a contention and angry women."

Some of our people attended the public sales at Gaffney last Tuesday. The rain last week has made the roads almost impassable in many places and no cotton has been picked since Tuesday.

The contract for repainting the bridge of Skull Shoals has been let to Mr. Frank Webber, of Jonesville, for \$94.

H. T. Estes, J. L. Spratt and T. L. Gwinn answered our last problem of two weeks ago. Each son lives 15x81 chains from the father and 22x36 chains from his nearest brother.

The crop of Christmas fowls will be short, in this section, this year. The cholera has been very fatal this summer.

Farmers are again pleading with each other to plant less cotton next year. The best for them to do is to take their own advice and act as they talk, and cotton will be worth something.

Mrs. Pacolette Wilkins was taken suddenly and seriously ill yesterday. She is better now.

Whoever sets up our correspondence in The Ledger office makes us a miserably bad spender.

[If the "Kernal" would improve his chirography or invest in a typewriter he would have less cause to complain about the handling of his manuscript by the Mephistoes in The Ledger office.]

The Ledger's editorial on the Phoenix massacre has provoked a good deal of discussion among our neighbors, and should among the people of the State generally. So that such wholesale murderers will be brought into disrepute. God's law says: "There shalt not kill" and that should settle the matter with us.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Rufus Poole, of Sunny Side, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their golden wedding day. We hope they may live to celebrate the recurrence of many happy anniversaries.

Mr. John H. Fowler has had a relapse, and Dr. Ward was called in to see him yesterday. He is able to sit up I am glad to state.

The C. E. Society will have Thanksgiving service at Salem next Thursday 24th inst. Each active member is requested to write out what special thing or things he or she is thankful for and read (or have it read) that day. The same opportunity is extended to the associate members and any others who are willing to make a public acknowledgment of God's mercies during the present year to do so. Everybody friendly to the occasion is invited.

On Thursday night a song and praise service will be held at the home of T. J. Estes.

Miss Oregon Estes, spent the night with Misses Ethel and Jessie Strain last week.

We would be glad to see something from our old friend "Bachelor" of Buffalo. His absence from The Ledger is greatly missed. Come again brother.

Our people was greatly shocked at the news of the sudden death of Mr. A. A. Sarratt, and the hearts of this entire community go out in deepest sympathy for his family in their great loss. May the eye that never sleeps watch over them, and the hand that never errs guide them through this troublesome world into a better and better one.

It is Miss Bettie Blair, instead of Miss Kittie Blair who was elected to teach our school. This was my mistake and not the printers this time.

A boatman rows down the river from A. to B. a distance of 18 miles in 1 1/2 hours. Returning he makes the trip in 2 1/2 hours, but he keeps near the bank where the water runs only 3-5 of the speed it goes in the main current. What is the speed of the main current?

While knocking around yesterday your correspondent found Mr. John A. M. Estes with his family in the cotton patch picking for dear life. They have all been sick, but are making up lost time now.

Mr. W. R. Walker gave us a call yesterday.

The World's International S. S. Convention meets in Atlanta Ga., April 27th to 30th. That is a fine opportunity for our workers to attend and catch the inspiration of the work. J. L. S.

## About "Planting" Wheat.

(Charleston News and Courier.)

In an editorial article under the head "About 'Planting' Wheat" the Abbeville Medium, which prides itself on its agricultural information, critically remarks:

"The Cotton Plant and other newspapers speak of 'planting' wheat, and much information on the subject is published for the farmers.

"The Medium knows enough about farming not to say 'plant' wheat, the proper expression being 'sow' wheat. The farmers do not have much respect for the man who 'plants' his wheat instead of sowing it."

The Medium is hypercritical in this matter, and is in error besides. Sowing is our mode of "planting," to begin with, and may fairly be included under the more general term. But that is not all that is to be said. Speaking for ourselves, as one of the "other papers" alluded to, we may explain that we have used the word "planting" instead of "sowing" of deliberate purpose. "Sow," according to the highest etymological authority, is derived from the Anglo-Saxon "sawan," the equivalent of the Gothic "saian," Welsh "han," German "saen," Danish "saane," Swedish "sada," and Latin "satum," all meaning "spread," to "scatter," "to scatter seed on the ground," "for the purpose of growth." And that was just what we did not want the farmers to do. They have been scattering their seed wheat "on" the ground all these years, as a rule, and have made so poor crops in consequence that they have been led to form the opinion that the soil and climate of South Carolina "do not suit wheat."

Our object was, and is, to get them to try, instead, the mode of procedure usually followed by the experienced and successful wheat growers in other States and countries—the mode of literally "planting" the wheat, by means of drills, which deposit the seed in the ground, at a proper depth and in a position to insure their being covered with earth and given a chance to germinate, strike root, and grow under the most favorable conditions.

We have accordingly and invariably advised our farmers who intend to experiment with the wheat crop to "plant" their seed, instead of "sowing" them, as they have usually done heretofore, and we are sure that it is good advice in nine cases in ten. We submit to our Abbeville contemporary, therefore, that "plant wheat" is not only a "proper expression," but wise counsel, and that the farmers in this State who follow it will doubtless have far more respect for the wheat crop hereafter—which is the end we are striving for.

Reverena Reading.  
(Correspondence of The Ledger.)  
RAVENNA, Nov. 22.—T. C. Green is visiting relatives at Union.

G. B. Brown from near Cannon's Camp ground, has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. B. G. L. Pettit.

Rev. D. W. Thomason, of Gaffney, is in this community canvassing for "The South Carolina Baptist."

Miss Laura Pettit, a student of Converse College Commercial School, is at home for a short while visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. L. Pettit.

Quite a number of visitors were at our Sunday School last Sunday afternoon.

Miss Lula Pettit is sick, we are sorry to learn.

Miss Addie Brown spent several days with relatives at Cowpens, quite recently. A. B. C.

## A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four Doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman. Trial bottles free at DuPre Drug Co.

Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed or price refunded.

An effort is being made to get "scabs" to go from Savannah to fill the places of striking longshoremen at Charleston.

Many a household is saddened by death because of the failure to keep on hand a safe and absolutely certain cure for croup such as One Minute Cough Cure. See that your little ones are protected against emergency. Cherokee Drug Company, Gaffney, R. S. Withers & Co., Blacksburg.

Dr. W. H. Wakefield of Charlotte, N. C. will be in Gaffney at Lipscomb Hotel on Thursday Dec. 1st for this one day. His practice is limited to eye, ear, nose and throat. 11-17-98