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Without a past, there is no future

Next meeting: The next meeting will be a regular monthly business meeting at 10:00 am at the library meeting room in Liberty, October 9, 2010.

AMITE COUNTY HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Minutes of September 11, 2010 meeting

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Future Meeting Schedule

October 9, 2010, 10:00 am — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

November 10, 2010, 10:00 am — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

December 4, 2010, 10:00 am — Annual Open House and Membership Drive. Details to be announced.

January 8, 2011, 10:00 am — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

February 12, 2011, 10:00 am — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

March 12, 2011, 10:00 am — Quarterly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS. Program to be announced.

April 9, 2011, 10:00 am — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

May 14, 2011, 10:00 am — Regular monthly meeting in the conference room of the library in Liberty, MS.

June 11, 2011, 10:00 am — Annual Society meeting with election of officers and program to be announced.

President Greg Barron called the meeting to order at 10:08 am in the meeting room of the Liberty library. There were 16 attendees. Linda Lea gave the invocation.

President Report: Pres. Barron reported that the society Open House will be held December 4, 2010, at the Kelly Law Offices (the old hardware store across Main St. from the Courthouse). The hours will be from noon until 3:00 pm. Parking for this year's event is available on the street, behind the offices in the parking lot, and behind the court house if all other spaces are full. The November society meeting will be an important one for finalizing plans for the open house so everyone is urged to attend the November meeting so that volunteer duties can be worked out. By agreement of all present, the LRSH will not be opened during the open house due to the distance between the venues. Mrs. Vera Prestridge will consider opening the LRSH if open house attendee make a request to visit.

Vice President Report: VP Dawn Taylor

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reported that a sign-up sheet for volunteers to bring open house refreshments will be circulated later and be finalized by the time of the November meeting.

Secretary Report: Secy. Wayne Anderson had no report.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Gay Blalock gave a written report. The society account currently stands at \$5612.70. Oma Gordon made a motion to approve the report; Nelson Dawson seconded. The report was approved without dissension.

Minutes from the previous meeting were presented for approval. Ann Brumfield made a motion to approve; James Allen Causey seconded. The minutes were approved as written by vote of the members present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

WPA Books: There have been no new sales recently so future reporting on this item as a standard part of the business agenda will be suspended.

LRSH: Mrs. Vera Prestridge reported that there were no visitors to the LRSH in August. One new book was added to the library.

Oma Gordon made a special announce-

ment that Mary Pallon who maintains the "Amite Reunion" website and assists with the cemeteries site will be moving to Switzerland for an expected stay of two years. If questions arise about cemeteries, contact Jennie Livingston.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Other Business:

President Greg Barron reminded everyone of the East Fork Baptist Church Bicentennial observance and reiterated the schedule of events that will be held on September 15, 17, 18 and 20.

Frances Phares talked briefly about Hezekiah Barksdull who was shot by Union soldiers near the Courthouse. She also read from a diary that described the murder of a relative, a Dr. Barksdull, who ran the East Louisiana Insane Asylum. Dr. Barksdull was killed in February 1865 after the Federals had seized control of the area around Clinton and Jackson, Louisiana. She then read from papers that described the conditions existing during the yellow fever epidemic in 1853.

Vera Prestridge concluded the meeting with a bit of levity in reading a "Redneck Love Poem."

The business meeting was adjourned about 11:05.

BITS AND PIECES OF AMITE COUNTY HISTORY

CAPTAIN JOHN SAMPLE

I. Captain John Sample was born on 24 Jun 1770 in North Carolina. He died on 10 Oct 1846 in Miss. John was a captain of the 49th regiment in the War of 1812 when Maryland was invaded by English troops. Captain Sample resided in Maryland until 1819 when his family moved to Lebanon, Ohio. It is believed they migrated on to Mississippi in the fall of 1837. Captain John Sample and Margaret Caldwell were married on 8 Oct 1795. Margaret Caldwell was born on 22 Jun 1768 in Delaware. She died on 10 Apr 1842 in Miss. John Sample and Margaret Caldwell had the following known children:

A. Samuel Caldwell Sample was born 15 Aug 1796 in Elkton, Maryland and died 2 Dec 1855. Samuel was a US representative from Indiana. He studied law in Connersville, Indiana, where he was admitted to the bar in 1833. He practiced law in South Bend, Indiana before being elected prosecuting attorney and Judge of the 9th Judicial Circuit in 1836. He was elected to the 28th Congress as a Whig where he served from 1843-1845. After his defeat for congress, he returned to South Bend where he resumed practicing law until his death. (Per Wikipedia)

B. Rev Dr John Sample was born on 5 Aug 1806 in Cecil County Maryland. He died on 24 Dec 1878 in Hazlehurst, Copiah Co, MS.

John Sample witnessed Stephen D Wilkinson's will in Amite County, July 16, 1844. (Per Amite County Wills)

E W Seale conveyed to John Sample land on March 19, 1844.

John Shelton conveyed to John Sample land on December 17, 1847.

John Sample & wife conveyed to William M Reed land on March 17, 1848.

Wright Seale conveyed to John Sample land on March 19, 1849. (Per Amite County Land records)

Newspaper clipping of his death December 24, 1878:

"Death of Rev Dr Sample of Franklin. We were painfully shocked Christmas morning to learn that our esteemed friend Dr. John Sample had been suddenly called the night before. He arrived on the 12:40 down train from the annual conference of the M.E. church which had been in session at Hazlehurst . . . spending the evening at the fireside of his son Dr J R Sample of this place surrounded by his family. . . The distinguished Christian gentleman who had been a minister for 25 years (aged 72 yrs, 4 months, and 17 days) was called through death to eternal life . . ."

Rev Dr John Sample and (1) Frances Clementine Reid were married on 30 Apr 1829.

Frances Clementine (Clementina) Reid, daughter of Archibald and Eleanor Reid, was born on 22 Dec 1811 in Pendleton District, SC. She died before 3 May 1848 and was buried in Sample Cemetery, Amite County, Miss. Located 0.9 mile north of Lumpkin Cemetery, 50 yards off road on east side. John Sample and Frances Clementine Reid had the following known child:

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1. Jacob Reid Sample MD was born on 22 Jan 1840 in Mississippi. He died on 8 Nov 1915 at the age of 75 in Jackson, MS.

The History of the Descendants of the Jersey Settlers, Adams County, Mississippi, p 412 - "Jacob Reid Sample, son of John was born January 22, 1840 in Mississippi. He attended the medical school in New Orleans during the session 1860-61. Returning from school in the spring of 1861 he enlisted for service in a company of volunteers at Meadville, Mississippi and was made orderly sergeant. But to the end that he might make progress in his chosen profession he sought and obtained the office of field hospital steward in the seventh Mississippi Regiment. He served to the close of the war. When he returned home he walked from where he was discharged and arrived in the middle of the night. He woke up his family by playing his fiddle and announced his safe return from the war. In 1865-66 he again attended the New Orleans school, got his diploma and located for practice in the town of Liberty, Mississippi. On December 19, 1866, he married Ary Robinson, the daughter of Col John Green Robinson. In 1877, they moved to Summit, Mississippi. He died in Jackson November 8, 1915 and she died there August 1939."

Jacob Reid Sample MD and Ary Robinson were married on 19 Dec 1866 in Amite Co, MS. Ary Robinson, daughter of John Green Robinson and Thurza (Thursey Ann) Jenkins, was born about 1847 in Amite Co, MS. Ary died on 30 Aug 1939 at the age of 92 in Jackson, Miss. Miss Ary Robinson (Sample) listed as member of Liberty Baptist Church, Feb 1866. Ary Robinson's siblings were: Malissa A, Missouri, Amanda J, wife of Charles Carroll, Van Worth, husband of Emma Ratcliff, and Lea Borden Robinson, husband of Helen Barney. After Ary's parents died at a young age, Ary and siblings lived with Richard Ellison and Catherine E Robinson Bates at their home north of Liberty. Per Joseph Hoff, Jul 2009. Jacob Reid Sample and Ary Robinson had the following known children:

- a. A C Sample was born about 1867.
- b. Frances Sample was born about 1869.
- c. Ary Helen Sample and Frederick Henry Lotterhos were married on 20 Dec 1898 in family residence in Summit, MS. Frederick Henry Lotterhos was born March 15, 1870 and died in Jackson, Miss December 8, 1928.

From a newspaper clipping: "After early education in the schools and colleges of Summit, he studied at Cumberland University from which he graduated with honors. He began the practice of law at Summit in 1894, later practiced at McComb and still later moved to Jackson. In 1919 he was elected state senator from Hinds Co. for 1920-1924 term of the legislature, from which he resigned to become assistant attorney general under General Frank Robertson" (Per The History of the Descendants of the Jersey Settlers, Adams County, Mississippi, Vol II, p 408)

Ary Helen Sample and Frederick Henry Lotterhos had the following children:

- i. Frederick Jacob Lotterhos and Margaret Gordon Green were married on 22 Jun 1957.

Frederick Jacob Lotterhos and Margaret Gordon Green had the following child:

- (1) Catherine Gordon Lotterhos was born on 16 Mar 1934 in Jackson, Hinds Co, MS. Shere-

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ceived BA degree from Sweet Briar College. Catherine Gordon Lotterhos and Henry Pipes Mills MD, Jr were married on 22 Jun 1957 in St Andrews Cathedral in Jackson, MS. Henry Pipes Mills MD, Jr, son of Henry Pipes Mills and Frances Rhea Preston, was born on 6 Dec 1933 in Jackson, Hinds Co, MS. He received a BS from Millsaps College, MD from University of MS School of Medicine, Ophthalmology Residency, Tulane University School of Medicine and Baylor University School of Medicine, Houston, TX. He practiced in Jackson, MS. Catherine Gordon Lotterhos and Henry Pipes Mills had the following children:

(a) Catherine Lotterhos Mills was born on 1 Apr 1958 in Orlando, FL. She attended Sweet Briar College, Sweet Briar, VA spending her Junior Year Abroad, Sorbonne and L'Institute des Etudes Politiques, Paris, France.

(b) Preston Kraft Mills was born on 7 Mar 1960 in Eglin Air Force Base, FL. and died about 1998.

(c) Thomas Pipes Mills was born on 7 Mar 1960 in Elgin Air Force Base, FL. He attended Vanderbilt University.

(d) Henry Pipes Mills was born on 23 May 1966 in Jackson, Hinds Co, MS.

ii. Ary Clara Lotterhos.

iii Helen Jay Lotterhos.

Rev Dr John Sample and (2) Amy Rawlings were married on 8 May 1851, Franklin County, Miss.

[Mary C Sample born about 1808 married Robert Pollard Butler 20 Nov 1845 in Amite County. Mary may have been a daughter.]



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