## JOSEPH A. GASTON AND ELIZABETH WYLIE GASTON

Joseph was born on March 4, 1810. He married Elizabeth Wylie on January 9, 1836. Joseph tilled the soil and was worth \$2,650 by the 1850 Census. Married 1-9-1836. Elizabeth, born October 2, 1816, was the daughter of Adam Wylie of Tennessee. Adam's will was made May, 17, 1845. He died June or July of 1845. A sideboard made by Adam is in the family's possession.

Joseph died on February 11, 1868. No will has been found as of yet, maybed due to the war. Elizabeth died October 11, 1850, at the age of 34 and 9 days. Both are buried at Fishing Creek Presbyterian.

Children/

ADAM WYLIE GASTON, is buried at Fishing Creek Presbyterian.

JOHN PORTER GASTON, married Nannie Dunlap. John Porter was born 9/26/1843 and died 3/28/25. Nannie was born 4/27/1849 and died 11/8/31. John Porter served in Co. A. 6th S. C. Reg. C.S.A., and was a Corporal in 1860. This was G.L. Strait's Regiment. Both are buried at Pleasant Grove Methodist.

JULIETTE VICTORIA GASTON, married Peter T. Hollis. Juliette
was born 11/25/1846 and died 7/17/
1898. Peter was born 4/24/1844 and
died 11/1/1919. He served in Co. H.
24 S.C.V., C.S.A. Both are buried
at Pleasant Grove Methodist. Eight children (Anches)

TABITHA AGNESS, was a year old in 1850, according to the Census. She died 11/5/1854 and is buried at Fishing Creek.

WILLIAM NEWTON GASTON, married Mary McCullough Baskin.

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## WILLIAM NEWTON GASTON AND MARY MCCULLOUGH BASKIN GASTON

William Newton Gaston was born January or February 20, 1839, near the banks of Fishing Creek. He spent his boyhood days in the Pleasant Grove Methodist community where he attended an academy sufficiently to get a fair education.

William married Mary McCullough Baskin, daughter of Joseph Baskin, and kinsperson to Alexander Hamilton Stephens, Vice-President of the Confederate States, whose mother was a Baskin. Born July 29, 1839, she married William on February 13, 1866 in a ceremony performed by the Reverend J. H. Saye of Fishing Creek.

William was a farmer and tilled the soil until his death, except for the years of war. He was designated Lieutenant in Co. A 6th S.C. Reg. C.S.A., Gilbert Lafayette Strait's regiment, where he served with his brother, John Porter Gaston. In 1860 William was designated Fifth Sergt. and was Fourth Sergt. at the close of the war. (I have a letter William wrote to his father from Petersburg, Virginia, and also the last page of a diary he kept throughout the war.)

After the war, one Rand Boyd, a black freedman deputized under local Reconstruction government, attempted to arrest William, perhaps for unpaid taxes. Rand Boyd rode into the yard upon horseback, whereupon William asked him of the nature of his business there. Rand Boyd replied, "I have come to arrest you." William pulled the man from the horse, beat him, deposited him back upon the horse, and sent him on his way. The Gaston home stands on property now owned by Mr. Fred Hambright, a two-story structure near the banks of Fishing Creek. A bed belonging to William and Mary as well as family photographs still exist.

William died November 17, 1907 in Lando, S.C. and is buried at Pleasant Grove Methodist, under an obelisk, next to Mary, who died January 27, 1918.

Children/

ANNA GASTON, born 1/18/1879

LOTTIE BLAIR GASTON, married a Mr. Steel. She was born 10/26/1877 and died 1/12/1971. She is buried at Waxhaw Cemetery, Union Co., N.C.

ROSA PERRY GASTON, born 2/2/1870 in Chester Co. and died 1969, at age 99. She was for many years active in the York Co. Medical Auxilary and was a charter member. She married Dr. W. F. Strait on 4/23/1891. Children/Mrs. Rosa Baskin Strait Guess, Mrs. Phillip W. Fairey, Dr. W.F. Strait, Jr.

ELIZABETH WELLS GASTON, married William Pinkney Neely. She was born 2/25/1874 and died 2/27/1913.

ETHEL VICTORIA GASTON, married a Mr. Quantz. Children/ Dr. Gaston Quantz of Rock Hill.

JOSEPH GASTON, born 5/13/1868, married Jone Owings (Andrea).

DR. JOHN NEWTON GASTON, born 12/25/1871, died 9/20/54.

Married Mary Patton, born 1/29/
1880, died 11/30/1910, on
1/1/1902. They lived in Edgemoor,
S.C. Children/ Mary Elizabeth
Gaston, born 4/23/1903, married
Markley Lee Jones; Jo Baskin
Gaston, born 10/24/1904, married
Amos Stack; Dr. John Newton Gaston,
Jr., born 10/2/1908, married Martha
Moore Wilbur; Dr. Frank Patton
Gaston, born 10/25/1910, married

WILLIAM WYLLE GASTON I, married SUSAN HICKLIN. (see next pages)

Dora Jones Dunlap. Second wife Rosa Patton Hoke (Andre)

James Gaston 587 Cherry St Macon, GA 31201

Dear James:

Thank you for copies of the articles by Ed James which I received recently.

Enclosed herewith are (1) a picture of William Newton Gaston's canteen in the shadow box that I made; (2) WN Gaston's military records which I received from the National Archives last Saturday; and (3) copies of all of the information that I have relating to the Gaston family. I received most of this information from Caroline Dargan, who is my father's first cousin.

If you are in Atlanta in the future, I hope that we can get together. Take care,

