## BOLICK PLACE

## CLARK - BOLICK - STEVENSON - HERBERT

Now delapidated and falling apart, this old house at one time the well-kept seat of a prosperous cotton plantation. It is built along the lines used in the design of so many of the Fairfield homes both in town and in the country during the early 1800's. The main body of the building is rectangular with large inside chimneys and it is covered with a gable roof. A gabled portico supported by wooden columns covers a major portion of the front. In the portico gable is a large center window flanked by sidelights. The double doors at the entrance are set in an attractive frame surrounded with glass panes. A long wing extended to the rear of the house and on one side was fronted with a long, columned porch. This wing contained a large dining room, kitchen, and store-room. In recent years it fell into bad repair and since then has been taken down.

The interior woodwork was well designed and beautifully executed but most of it has been removed or destroyed. The house is almost an empty old shell. This property adjoins the old stone Jackson Creek Church site and many fascinating and hair-raising stories are told of the old place.

It was built in the 1820's, or before, by the Clark family, early settlers in the old Jackson Creek community. It was in this old house that Lieutenant James Clark, the Mexican War hero was reared. The house was the home of his sister Mrs. Martha Clark Bolick and was bought by her husband, Levi Bolick, before the Confederate War. The Bolick's only child was a daughter, Elizabeth, who was better known as Lizzie. Mr. Bolick's brother Daniel and his wife died rather young and only a few weeks apart leaving several small children. One of these, Robert Daniel, was reared as a son by Martha and Levi.

Lizzie Bolick married William Stevenson who came to an untimely death shortly after their marriage. She never remarried but lived with her husband's people in the New Hope section and in Winnsboro for the remainder of her rather long life. Before her death she sold this place to Mr. Beverley Herbert of Columbia who is still in possession of the property.

## OLD JACKSON CREEK CHURCH

David McCreight, William Hamilton, John and Alexander Robertson, James Gray, and John Phillips were among the first settlers in Lebanon (Jackson Creek) section of the county. All of the above mentioned men were from Ireland and were staunch Scotch-Irish Presbyterians; all of them having been elders in churches in their homeland.

Not long after the Revolutionary War, about 1780, these elders met and decided to form a church. They called an assembly of the people living in the neighborhood and the church was organized in the home of John Robertson by the Reverend John Simpson of Fishing Creek.



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