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## HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL.

Craven Precinct was the mother of Edgecombe County, which was formed in 1733. Edgecombe embraced what is now Nash, Warren, Halifax, Granville and Vance counties; so some of the oldest records can be found in all of these counties. Granville was formed from Edgecombe, the first off-spring—in 1746. In 1758 Halifax and Bute were formed from Granville—making them grand-daughters of Edgecombe, and in 1779 Bute was divided into Warren and Franklin, making them great-grand-daughters of Edgecombe.

So the history of Warren is linked up in the earlier days of our country with a vast territory, and the records prior to 1758 may be found in Halifax, Edgecombe and Granville court houses, and possibly in Nash county.

We will print in these columns items of county family history, so that our people may get their family history straight. We invite correspondence, which will all appear in due course of time in these columns.

**KEY**—Edward Jones, husband of Abigail Sagan, and who settled on South side of Shocco Creek, on what is now known as Jones' Spring plantation, in 1736; will be numbered (1); his children (2), his grandchildren (3), his great-grandchildren (4), and so on. All 2s are brothers or sisters. Those numbered three are nephews or nieces to all the two's except their parents. They are first cousins to each other, except when brothers or sisters. All four are nephews or nieces of all three's except their parents and they are second cousins to each other where they have not same parent or grandparent, etc., as we come down the line of descent.

We stated in our last issue that William Duke Jones 3, married Mary Ann Speed on Oct. 27th, 1813. They lived over the line in Franklin county, or at least their first child Joseph Speed Jones, named for his grandfather Joseph Speed, was born in Franklin county on October 7th, 1814. Their children were Joseph Speed Jones 4, Ann Bignall Jones 4, Minerva Temperance Jones 4, William Robert Jones 4, Mary Ediza Jones 4, John Edwin Jones 4.

Joseph Speed Jones 4, was a remarkable man in a great many respects. In early life he was identified with public affairs in the county. At the time of his young manhood and even in later years it was the custom for public men to drink and to treat. As a student of Randolph Macon College, he joined the "Sons of Temperance," an organization to promote sobriety. Returning from college he went in the office of Sheriff, as deputy for his kinsman, Mr. William Green Jones and retained that position, attending to the greater part of the work until Mr. William Green Jones 3, resigned. At that time, our recollection is that Mr. Joseph Speed Jones 4, was about 21 years of age. He resolved that he would be a candidate for the office of Sheriff, having become thoroughly familiar with the duties of the office. He had strong opposition in a popular candidate, but he made the race with the public announcement that the time honored custom of "treating" would not be observed by him—"If I have to be elected by the use of whiskey, I do not want the office." He was elected by a safe majority and remained in office about 15 years, resigning to retire to his plantation and private affairs. His "rooms" were back of the court house, in a house that is now owned by John Plummer. He used a "conch" horn to call his servant Old Dander to get his horse or wait upon him. This horn is now the property of N. M. Jones and has "J. S. 1844" engraved upon it. It is a fact that the office of Sheriff has been in the Jones family until a few years ago, since long before Bute county was divided into Warren and Franklin. Recalling the occupants solely from memory we name James Ransom, the husband of one of the Jones girls, then her brother Edward Jones 2, then his son William Green Jones 3, then his kinsman, and deputy Joseph Speed Jones 4, then Charles Jones 4, a son of William Green Jones 3, then perhaps Robert Jones 4, grand son of Edward 2, and nephew of William Green Jones 3, then perhaps with an intermission of a few terms in which George Pitts, J. B. Rodwell and W. E. Davis came in, and their John B. W. Jones 5, the son of Joseph Speed Jones 4 was elected and his brother Natharn Milam Jones 5 succeeded him, with William Duke Jones 6 his nephew as his deputy, and thus to our present efficient Sheriff, R. E. Davis, and the writer warns our friend the present Sheriff of the fact that we have four boys that may have inherited that love for office and public life that Senator Ransom told the writer that he (Senator R.) inherited from his Jones ancestors.

There was one fact that Joseph Speed Jones 4 often impressed upon his sons, in connection with his official life. "I had friends from all over the county and wherever sun-set caught me, there I remained all night in good company and was refreshed and ready for my work the next day." He said he never carried a pistol and but compared with this day and generation the collection of taxes was a small matter—the Black poll being collected through their owners. But the point he especially desired to make was that "no zood would come by riding at night—the thing to do was to attend to your work in the day and enjoy your home life, if you were at home, or your hosts society at night and not expose yourself to the experience that walketh in darkness." While Sheriff he had two men; his kinsman, Tom Christian; for the murder of a man named Davis. It is said that Tom Christian engaged Davis in conversation and sitting beside him steadily drew his pistol and shot him in the side, while Christian was in a physical condition, Billy Suit and his brother, both fine specimens of physical manhood, grabbed Christian and held him. Sheriff Jones spoke of it as an act of especial bravery as everybody knew that Tom Christian was a dapegous character. The other criminal hung was named Barnett, but what his crime was we do not remember.

Joseph Speed Jones 4 was, since early manhood, a member of the Methodist church and a steward. He was first identified with the Warrenton church, and was one of the subscribers to the fund to build the old church. He was one of the stewards who was always present at Quarterly Conferences and one of the kind who felt that the Pastor should be paid in full—and that it was the duty of the stewards to make up any deficiency. He was a great horse-back

rider and would not have a saddle horse that would stumble. Often the writer has heard him say "my mare brought me right along at a good gait and never touched her toe." He was an exceedingly prudent man—and though he had a strong sense of humor and enjoyed a joke, he never indulged in anything that lacked refinement.

He had that bent of mind that would have developed into a fine lawyer had he been trained as such. His experience in public life and keen observation of public affairs made him exceedingly well informed upon the topics of the day. He was firm in his convictions and yet had great tolerance of the views of others. He married twice; his first wife being Miss Lucy Barker Pettaway of Halifax county, and his second wife; Miss Mary A. Fort of Maryland. He was much blessed in his married life and was a great advocate of marriage. His children had the utmost respect for him and both by precept and example he endeavored to make them useful members of society. This brief sketch by his son is given for Posterity's sake.

### Chapel Hill Notes.

The University tennis team, composed of George Fountain, a second year law student, and Charles Venable, a member of the Senior Class, have made a triumphal sweep of the State of Virginia. They have defeated Randolph-Macon, Richmond College, and the University of Virginia, capturing both doubles and singles in each meet. In the four intercollegiate meets this fall, North Carolina has not been scored against, and her total score is 400 to her opponents 0. This is perhaps the most brilliant record in the history of intercollegiate tennis in the South.

Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, professor of economic geology, attended the second annual meeting of the North Carolina Drainage Association, and made one of the principal addresses before the association. Dr. Pratt is vitally interested in every economic need of North Carolina, and is doing more for the good roads movement than any other one man.

Dr. Charles H. Herty, dean of the school of Applied Sciences, has been elected chairman of one of the divisions in the American Chemical Society, and will preside over its sessions in Boston.

## The Pastor's Conference.

The Pastor's Conference will meet in Wadesboro, in connection with the Baptist State Convention, December 6th and 7th, 1909.

### PROGRAMME.

MONDAY, DECEMBER, THE 6TH.

7 P. M.—Devotional Exercises.  
7:30 P. M.—The Preacher's Opportunity in the Twentieth Century; Baylus Cade.  
8:30 P. M.—Open conference. Subject: Evangelism, the Tendency of the Present Time, and the Need of the Churches; J. L. White, and others.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER THE 7TH.

9:30 A. M.—Devotional Exercises, conducted by the Moderator  
10 A. M.—The Relation of the Holy Spirit to the Work of the Preacher; J. R. Doan.  
10:30 A. M.—The Personality of Christ in founding and Extending His Kingdom; J. W. Bailey.  
11 A. M.—The Great Work of the Preacher.  
(1) 11 A. M.—To Win Souls; R. G. Kendrick.  
(2) 11:30 A. M.—To Organize and Train His Church; T. W. Chambliss.  
12 M.—Open Conference on Pastor's Correspondence Course; Henry Sheets, and others.

### AFTERNOON.

2:30 P. M.—Church Letters, A. C. Caldwell Johnson and others.  
3 P. M.—The Book that Has Done Me Most Good During the Past Year; T. B. Davis, L. R. Pruitt, W. R. Cullom.  
3:30 P. M.—How to Promote Permanency in the Pastorate; J. B. Carlyle, H. A. Brown.  
4 P. M.—How May a Pastor Get Most Help From His Deacons; John G. Hughes, N. B. Broughton.  
4:30 P. M. Miscellaneous Business.

T. J. TAYLOR  
For the Committee.

Dr. Herty, by his inventions in industrial chemistry, is one of the best known chemists in America. By his invention of the Herty turpentine cup he has saved the southern turpentine farmer millions of dollars.

The annual debate between the University of North Carolina and the University of Pennsylvania will be held Friday night in Chapel Hill. Barnett and Highsmith represent Carolina.

Yours truly,  
W. A. BURWELL, JR.

### AFTON ITEMS.

The farmers are busy picking their scrap cotton and gathering in their corn.

We are having such a beautiful autumn guess its a warning for us to make preparation for a bad winter.

Mr. H. B. Hunter went to Richmond and Baltimore on business last Friday.

Our school commenced the 15th, Miss White, of Macon, is teacher. Listen for the distant buggy wheels to rumble on the pike occasionally.

The writer enjoyed an address on the Layman movement by Dr. Zollicoffer at Zion, Sunday.

Miss Caroline Wynn who has been visiting at Mr. J. L. Bidout's of Axtell and Mr. J. A. Temple of this place has returned to her home near Norlina.

We all enjoyed Brother B. C. Thompson sermon at Providence the second Sunday his text being; one sinner destroyest much good. We hope he will return to our circuit next year and preach the same sermon, we would enjoy hearing it again.

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