

Why Aunt Sally Didn't Marry

"How Aunt Sally, do you know why you were never married? You know you were well you were engaged to a minister; you promised you would tell us about it sometime. Now, Aunt, please do!"

"Well, when I was about seventeen years old I was living in South Carolina—though I say it myself, I was quite a good looking girl then and had several lovers. The one that took my fancy was a minister, a very young man, and remarkably plain and steady. He thought a good deal of me, and I kind of took a fancy to him and so things ran on till we were engaged."

"One evening he came to me, I remember it as well as if it were yesterday. When he came into the parlor where I was sitting alone, he came up to me—but now, please! girls, I don't like to tell the rest."

"Oh, Aunt Sally! for mercy's sake, don't stop; tell us what he did!"

"Well, as I said, he came up to me put his arms around me, and rather hugged me, while I got excited and some flustered, and it was a long time ago, and I don't know but what I might have hugged him back a little. Then I fell—but now just clear out every one of you, I don't tell any more."

"Goodness gracious, no, Aunt Sally, don't stop!"

Notice Trustee's Sale of Land

By virtue of authority vested in the undersigned trustee in a certain deed of trust executed the 20th day of Oct. 1924 by Charles L. Kirkman to the undersigned trustee for William Branch to secure an indebtedness of \$466.25 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Surry County, N. C., in Book 73, default having been made in the payment of the notes therein secured and at the request of the holder, I will sell for cash to the highest bidder, at public auction, in front of the Bank of Mount Airy, Mount Airy, N. C., on

Saturday Jan. 14th, 1928
at 1 o'clock P. M.,

the following described real estate:

Beginning at a stake on the East side of College avenue at G. W. Shropshire's corner and runs with his line N. 55 deg. 14 min. E. 125 feet to a stake; thence S. 40 deg. 30 min. E. 50 feet to C. H. Flippin's corner; thence with his line S. 55 deg. 15 min. W. 125 feet to the East edge of Coolidge avenue; thence with the East edge of Coolidge avenue 50 feet to the beginning. The same being lots Nos. 56 and 57 of the Joe Bowman farm as sold by Linville-Ball-Hodge Land Co., May 17, 1924.

Sale made to satisfy an indebtedness of \$466.25, principal, interest and cost of sale to add. This the 10th day of Dec. 1927.

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PRISON DEAN GETS FREEDOM IN 1927

Moore Drakford, Richmond County has been confined since 1912.

Saleigh, Dec. 12.—Counting time off for good behavior, Moore Drakford, Richmond county negro will, if he lives be a free man about 1927 unless he should be pardoned before the two more years become history.

For Drakford, who will soon start his 16th year in state prison here, has just about 40 more years to serve before he completes sentence given him in 1912 for criminal assault, and for murder in 1922 when he slew a fellow prisoner in a quarry camp near Brevard.

Drakford, who was 27 when he entered prison, is now 39. In point of servitude he is the oldest man now at the prison. He is the acknowledged "dean" of the prison.

Over in the white colony, Lee Ford, Davidson county, who came to the prison in November, 1912, eight months after Drakford, is regarded as the "dean" of his fellows.

Back in 1915 Ford, then 42 years old, was convicted of second degree murder and given from 25 to 30 years. He is now 57.

Ford, who is hospital steward at the Cary prison farm camp, has never given any trouble. George Ross Fou, superintendent of the prison says he is an "honored" prisoner.

Though the last 15 years of his life has been spent in prison, Ford is looking to the future. He has saved over \$400 in commutation money since he was committed to prison. Some of these days, he says, he hopes to start life anew. He really, he says, he will need money and the commutation money doled out to him for good behavior will come handy when he gets on the outside again.

Will Moulden, negro who was pardoned last December after serving 20 years, was the oldest man in point of servitude up to that time. He came to the prison from McDowell county in 1907 as a youth of 23. He went away a mature man of 44.

Grace Methodist Church
REV. C. M. BRUNSON, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Evening Worship 7:45 P. M.
Prayer Meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30 P. M.

First Church
Rev. John Thomas, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Evening Worship 7:45 P. M.
Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:30 P. M.
There will be no service at the church on Dec. 22.

Methodist Church
Rev. John Thomas, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Evening Worship 7:45 P. M.
Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:30 P. M.
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WHEN BARGAINS ARE NEEDED

We find ourselves heavily loaded with winter merchandise and knowing that right here when winter is about to break is the time when people most need to purchase goods we are throwing our entire stock on the block and have instructed every clerk in our store to sell the goods regardless of how small the profit. Now is when you need the bargains in winter goods—not next spring when their need is past—and now is when we are making drastic cuts in our prices.

COMPARE OUR PRICES WITH OTHERS AND YOU'LL BUY HERE

Goods for Every Member of the Family

Our stocks comprise almost every article needed for man or woman, boy or girl—clothing, shoes, ready-to-wear, dresses, coats, hats, piece goods, novelties, underwear, bed spreads, blankets, overalls, work shirts, overshoes, gloves, etc.

Prices displayed in our store will tell the story of the savings you can make here.

A. B. C. STORE

J. E. Ayers, W. F. Beamer, Miss Mary J. Creed.
MOUNT AIRY, N. C.

Farm Lands At Auction

All the lands and property of C. F. (Jack) Simpson will be sold

Wednesday, Dec. 21st, 10 A. M.

Sale Starts 10:00 A. M. at the late home Place 3 1/2 Miles From Dobson.

Over 532 Acres Subdivided

GOOD ROLLER MILL AND CORN CRUSHER ON ONE TRACT.

<p>354 8-10 acre tract land, has good 2 story dwelling, 3 tobacco barns, 1 feed barn.</p> <p>Tract 132 1-2 acres, good frame dwelling, extra good pack barn, basement and good frame feed barn. 3 tobacco barns.</p>	O	<p>Mill tract 20 8-10 acres, has dwelling with 3 rooms and good mill house with roller mill, corn mill, chop mill and in good shape.</p> <p>26 1-2 acre tract has 1 tobacco barn, and about 10 acres good bottom land.</p>
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TERMS: Personal Property cash. Real estate, 10 per cent of 1st payment on day of sale. 1-3 payable when sale is confirmed, 1-3, Dec. 1, 1928, 1-3 Dec. 1, 1929, interest payable annually.

J. V. & T. M. Marsh, Exrs. C. F. Simpson, dec'd.

ARARAT, NORTH CAROLINA.