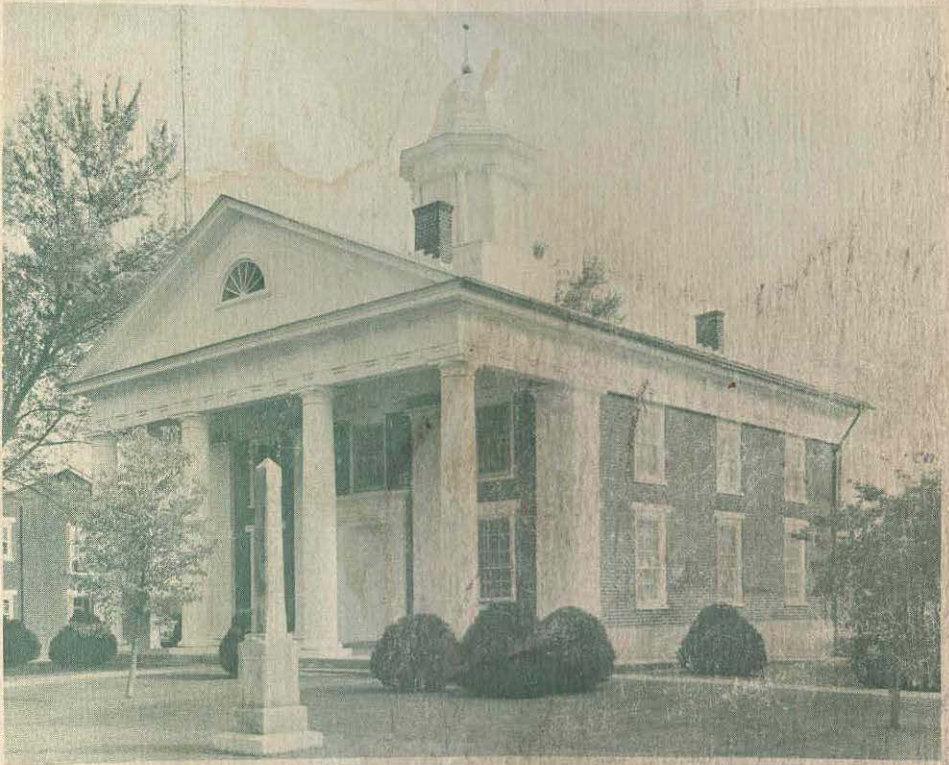


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MISS MATTIE'S MEMORANDA BOOK*
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Miss Martha Virginia [Mattie] Parrott, 1848-1933, resided at "Wakefield" in southern Greene County and devoutly attended Bingham's Methodist Church near Nortonsville. Her intense interest in the events of the Methodist Church and happenings in her community prompted her to maintain records of the occurrences for her personal reference. These records are now in the possession of this contributor, Miss Mattie Parrott's grandnephew.

It should be noted that no effort has been made to corroborate this information, and it might also be noted that some of the earlier data may have been recorded by Mattie's parents, Bezaleel Brown Parrott and Julia Stephens Parrott. These records span over six decades, and are of sufficient historic quality to warrant their presentation in this volume.

Preachers of the Greene Circuit:

Mr. Ward	1859
Mr. Hoyle	1860 & 1861
J. O. Moss	1862, 63, 64, 65
J. Fitzpatrick	1866
J. Beckham	1867 & 1868
J. Tucker	1869 & 1870
Mr. Camper	1871
J. W. Howard	1872 & 1873
W. E. Payne	1874, 75, 76, 77
R. W. Watts	1878, 79, 80
R. Ferguson	1881
J. F. [Branham]	1882, 83
J. H. Crown	1884, 85, 86, 87
C. H. Boggs	1888, 89
C. S. Wamsley	1890
Charles Bane	1891, 92
R. F. Beadles	1893, 94, 95
J. Rhodes	1896, 97
W. A. S. Conrad	1898, 99, 1900, 01
E. F. Hall	1902, 03, 04, 05
W. B. Moore	1906, 07

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J. Holman	1908, 09, 10, 11
W. A. Orser	1912
J. B. Lavinder	1913, 14, 15
H. J. Brown	1916, 17, 18, 19, 20
J. B. Asken	1921, 22, 23
W. W. Trent	1924, 25
J. N. Ragsdale	1926, 27

Preachers from the Albemarle Circuit:

R. N. Sledd, Sr	1859
J. J. Lafferty, Jr	1859
R. N. Sledd, Sr	1860
Baldwin Jr	1860
Jos. or Jas. Davis	1861
Mr. Henry Jr	1861
John L. Clarke	1862, 63
H. C. Cheatham Sr	1864, 65
W. F. Robbins Jr	1864
Wm. Jerdome	
[Jerdome]	1865
R. W. Watts	1866, 67, 68, 69
Allen, Junior	1866
J. M. Anderson	1870, 71, 72, 73
R. W. Watts	1874, 75, 76, 77
F. M. Edwards	1878, 79, 80, 81
G. E. Booker	1882, 83, 84, 85
T. H. Boggs	1886
W. H. Gregory	1887, 88, 89, 90
J. D. Southall	1891, 92, 93
M. S. Watts	1894, 95
D. G. C. Butts	1896, 97, 98
J. M. Burton	1899
T. Pullen	1900, 01
C. W. Leftwich	1902, 03, 04, 05
R. W. Wingfield	1906, 07, 08, 09
C. E. Watts	1910, 11, 12
C. H. Fielding	1913, 14, 15, 16
J. Hearne	1917, 18, 19
A. J. Rice	1920
B. E. Hudson	1921

Presiding Elders [County unspecified]:

L. S. Reed	1866, 67, 68, 69
Jacob Manning	1870, 71, 72, 73
J. H. Proctor	1874, 75, 76, 77
D. P. Wills	1878
Dr. John Blackwell	1879
J. M. Anderson	1880, 81, 82, 83
J. O. Moss	1884, 85, 86, 87
J. Wiley Bledsoe	1888
Adam Bledsoe	1889
A. G. Brown	1890
Oscar Littleton	1891, 92, 93, 94
W. E. Payne	1895 "died that year"
J. S. Hunter	1896, 97, 98, 99
J. D. Hank	1900, 01, 02, 03
W. W. Lear	1904, 05, 06, 07
J. T. Whitley	1908, 09
M. S. Colonna	1910, 11, 12, 13
R. Waterfield	1914, 15, 16, 17
B. F. Lipscomb	1918, 1919, 1920, 1921
W. A. Wright	1922, 23, 24, 25
M. S. Colonna	1926, 27

- 1st. District Conference held in Stanardsville 1873;
 2nd. held in 1899; 3rd held in 1911.

Assorted Marriages and Deaths:[1]

Dr. Davis & Cora Stephens were married
 October 7, 1895.

Elijah Catterton & Bertha Doffermyre were
 married December 23, 1914.

Miller Jarman & Dollie Durrett were married
 November 26, 1912.

Tommie Chapman & Gertie Plunkett were
 married December 20, 1899.

Finks Early & Miss Austin were married
 October 20, 1909.

Edward Early & Fannie Davis married June 9th,
 1909.

Elsie Chapman & Lin Marshall were married
 January 1911.

Charles T. Garth & Loula Brown were married
October 4th, 1911.

Ida Chapman & Tom Kirtley were married
January 29, 1914.

Lila Chapman & Floyd Ward were married _____.

Betty Chapman & George Lancaster were
married October 17th, 1907.

John Mauzy & Ida Shearman were married
June 18th, 1889.

John Chapman & Sallie Davis were married
August 21st, 1890.

Lucy E. Parrott & Dr. Catterton were married
May 15th, 1873.

✓ Sudie Brown & Nat Early were married July 19th,
1894.

Mrs. Frances Plunkett died August 15th age 85
yrs., 6 mo., & 15 days [1909].

Fannie Davis born May 5th, 1828 & died January
26, 1909.

Mattie B. Early born July 30th, 1866.

Old [2] Mr. Ned Dickerson & his wife died in 1898.

✓ Old Mr. Wm. Shelton died December 5th, 1899;

✓ Old Mrs. Shelton died December 19th, 1899.

Old Mr. Wm. Rose & his wife died April 1900,
the same week.

Miss Frances Plunkett died March 11th, 1890,
age 73. Born in 1817.

✓ Uncle Arthur Stephens [3] born July 19th, 1819 &

✓ died October 6th, 1902, age 83 years., 2 months,

✓ & 17 days. Aunt Amanda Stephens died May 3rd,
1894, age 75.

Old Mrs. Tene Marshall died July 30th, 1903 -

Old Mr. Tene Marshall died February 12th, 1904.

Wesley Stephens born September 17th, 1830.

Old Mrs. Graves died 2nd June 1890 & old Mr.

Graves died Sept. 1890.

✓ Old Mrs. Pendleton White died August 22nd, 1896.

✓ Old Mr. P. White died Nov. 5th, 1896.

✓ Old Mrs. Roudabush died December 12th, 1896.

✓ Old Mr. Roudabush died August 30th, 1897.

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- ✓ Aunt Sallie [Parrott Stephens] died February 11th, 1898, age 81 yrs.
- ✓ My dear mother [Julia Ann Stephens Parrott] died April 7, 1898. She was born November 9th, 1822. 75 yrs. & 4 mo. & 29 days.
- ✓ Nat. Chapman born October 5th, 1836, died May 30, 1906.
- ✓ Fannie Blakey Chapman born December 29th, 1831, died March 28th, 1913.
- ✓ Dr. Charles Brown died March 25th, 1879, age 96.
- ✓ Wm. T. Chapman died May 26th, 1899.
- ✓ Willie Early died August 20th, 1899.
- ✓ G. W. Shearman died May 1st, 1901, age 95 yrs. & 22 days.
- ✓ Mrs. Mauzy died May 12th, 1901 in Roanoke. Age 81 yrs., 4 mo., & 15 days.
- ✓ Dr. Bibb [4] died February 28th, 1902, age 75 yrs. & 9 months.
- ✓ Lucie B. Chapman died September 18th, 1904, age 91.
- ✓ J. T. Plunkett born January 17th, 1824.
- ✓ Lula Stephens died May 18th, 1878.
- ✓ Lizzie Stephens died August 1881.
- ✓ Fannie Stephens died March 2, 1882.
- ✓ James Stephens died April 27, 1888.
- ✓ Willie Stephens died June 13, 1888.
- ✓ Dr. Stephens died April 11, 1893.
- ✓ Jincie Slaughter [5] born May 26th, 1898.
- ✓ Mary [Slaughter?] born Nov. 26th, 1898.
- ✓ Parthenia [Slaughter?] born September 16th, 1903.
- ✓ Bettie Slaughter died April 1st, 1901.
- ✓ Ida Morton died September 14th, 1901.
- ✓ Dora Gilmore died March 3rd, 1902.
- ✓ Gussie died September 2, 1907.

Different Negroes Hired: [6]

Bob Kirtley & his wife, Ann,	
in the year	1866
Easter Kennedy the year	1867
No one but Berryman	1868

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Dolly Kennedy, 4 years, from	1869 to 1872
Frances Gordon for the year	1873
Jennie, fr. Ap. to Aug	1874
Bettie Banks, Oct. to Christmas	1874
Mary Winston, from 11th Ap. to June	1875
Rinda Gordon	Sept. 1875 to Aug., 1878
Linda Woodfolk, Sept. to Christmas	1878
Alice [Kirtley or Terrell]	1879
Annie Bell Fry	1880, 1881
Harriett Beals	1882, 1883
Emma Sims, one month, December	1883
Eliza Beals, March 25th to June	1884
Ann Wright, May 5th to Christmas	1885
Mat Mauzy	June 1881 to Christmas, 1885
Frank Michie	Feb. 1st, 1886
Kate Claxton, June 9th to Christmas	1886
Ella Burrows, Jan. 17th to Christmas	1887
Frank Michie, January to Christmas	1887
Lucy Gilmore	1888, 1889, & 1890
Bob Williams	1888, 1889
Frank Michie	1890
Jim Fields	1891
Marietta Banks	1891
Jane Gilmore	1892
Bettie Slaughter	1893, 1894
Gussie Slaughter	1895-1904
Liza Blakey	1905-1916

Miss Mattie Parrott's records also reveal interesting bits of trivia, such as: "Had buggy repaired July, 1903; paid \$20.00 for it;" "I got gold specks May, 1903, paid \$7.00, from a pedlar, Mr. Bolling;" "Bought a cloak the fall of 1909, paid \$12.00 for it;" etc. Her family records were also extensive, but have not been included in this article.

It should be reiterated that all foregoing records from Miss Mattie Parrott's Memoranda Book are as she recorded them, with no effort toward corroboration having been made. Miss Parrott kept these extensive records for her personal reference, but the passage of time since their recording makes them worthy of public scrutiny today.

REFERENCES

- [1] Not an inclusive list of all records, and neither have those herein provided been corroborated by marriage and death registers.
- [2] "Old" is not used here in a derogatory manner.
- [3] Arthur Stephens was Commonwealth's Attorney of Greene County.
- [4] Refers to Dr. William Ellis Bibb, 1826-1902, of Albemarle County.
- [5] Refers to Virginia ["Jincie"] Slaughter Franklin, 1898-1976, whom Mattie reared from childhood.
- [6] Domestic and farmhands hired by Mattie's parents, Bezaleel and Julia Parrott of "Wakefield."