

1850 Census List

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Page 293 D 1522 F 1522 E—Donald, 31, female, SC
Page 293 D 1523 F 1523 Enoch Agnew, 42, MD, 8,000 SC (Letitia was wife)
Page 293 D 1524 F 1524 Esther Murphy, 65, 1330, SC
Page 293 D 1525 F 1525 James Martin, 52, blacksmith, 1622, SC
Page 293 D 1526 F 1526 Sam Brownlee, 56, 2000, SC
Page 293 D 1527 F 1527 John Haddon, 32, Farmer 800, SC

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[244] Robert Martin, 11/07/ 1830 pd \$3 church subscription
[246] Isaac McCalla, 1850 Census list
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[57] James A. Lyon, reference was that his store was at the “Old Stand” (not in DW)
[54] James B. Ritchey, a farmer (1855) in the state agricultural society (no proof he was in DW)
[0] John F. Cooper, no reference in book
[0] Andrew W. Shellito, no reference in book
[0] Mary Austin, no reference in book

[0] E Donald, no reference in book: Edwin Cox Donald in DW area in 1918 (WWI vols.)

[0] James Martin: [37] member 1834 education society of DW; [242] pd. \$10 church subscription 08/13/1831 [243] pd. \$10 church subscription 04/11/1832 [244] pd. \$5 church subscription 02/11/1833 [245] pd. \$10 church subscription 01/03/1834, no reference that he lived in DW

[] Sam Brownlee, [Samuel R. Brownlee, 54] a farmer (1855) in the state agricultural society (no proof he was in DW) [58] Entered EC in 1844 [249] 1860 Census Samuel R. Brownlee, a farmer 77 years old: CHECK BROWNLEE FAMILY ELSEWHERE, WILL PUT IN CHURCH STREET HOUSE LOCATION

[244] John Haddon, 04/03/1833 pd. \$3 church subscription, no reference that he lived in DW

Page 290 D 1504 F 1504 John O. Lindsay 26, [no value listed] Editor, SC; wife Mary A. Lindsay, 22, dau Mary Lindsay, 3; William Crowder, 26, M, Printer; Ephraim Williams, 21, student, James Williams, 19, student, Moses M. Long, student; Samuel M. Hunter, 20, student [ancestry.com does not have any data on Crowder, or the Williams, Moses Long [SC compiled marriage index] married Clara Jones on October 22, 1855 [data in Edgefield museum], US Burial Registers, Military Posts and National Cemeteries listed Moses Long as deceased on December 10, 1864 and buried in grave F-59 at City Point National Cemetery in Virginia, this is not definitive and probably another Moses Long from the US army (there are multiple listings); Clara Long, Moses Long's widow, in the 1870 Census, p. 869, Edgefield, SC, Post Office Aiken, Shaws Creek Township, house 152, family 161 was the head of house, a widow, and mother of ten-year-old Jacob Long and seven-year-old Marina Long. This would seem reasonable if Moses died in 1864. Find-a-Grave Index: Captain Samuel Hunter was born on December 10, 1831 and died on November 17, 1906 in Meridian, Leon County, Florida. He was buried in Retreat Presbyterian Cemetery, Oconee County, SC; In the 1807 Census he and his spouse Caroline, were living in Lowndsville, SC with an eleven-year-old daughter, Statis, seven-year-old Steven and five-year-old Joh; the family was in Tugaloo, SC in the 1880 census: Samuel, 47; Caroline 44; Statzell 20; Stephen D., 19; Ida A., 16; Thomas A, 13; Ellen N. 12; Nannie L., 10; Samuel G. 6; and Alice, nine months old; In the 1900 census Samuel, 64, was widowed, lived in Tugaloo, Oconee, SC with Stephen (37); Gordon, J. 22; Julia 6 months [dau of Stephen Hunter, head of house in which Samuel Hunter. 64 was living

In the **1850** Census for "the Village of Due West," Abbeville County (page 290 D 1504 F 1504 John O. Lindsay 26, SC, Editor) and with him were his wife Mary A. Lindsay (22 years old) and daughter Mary (3 years old) along with William Crowder, a printer, and four students (Ephraim Williams, James Williams, Moses M. Long and Samuel M. Hunter). The writer has assigned John O. Lindsay to the Lindsay home on Abbeville Street that stands in 2018. There is no documentary evidence for this decision but the oral tradition is strong. O. Y. Bonner wrote that James Lindsay built the Lindsay house on Abbeville Street for his son, A. B. C. (Calvin or "Callie") Lindsay. This oral tradition fits the general story that the home was built around 1839 by James Lindsay for a son. There is no documentary evidence (no Census record or other written record) of such an early date. John O. Lindsay was twenty-six years old in 1850, would have been fifteen years old in 1839 or sixteen years old in 1840. On the other hand O. Y. Bonner's assumption that James Lindsay built the Abbeville Street Lindsay home for A. B. C. Lindsay is doubtful on two accounts. Calvin Lindsay was only twelve years old in 1850 and James Lindsay died in 1854. All oral traditions hold that James Lindsay built the home for his son, and John O. Lindsay is the logical candidate. Alexander P. (Poinsett) Lindsay was an eighteen-year-old student in 1850 and Winfield W. Lindsay was fourteen. Neither likely to have such a house built within four years of 1850.

Ancestry.com, compiled marriage Index, John Oliver Lindsay married Mary Amanda Drennan in Abbeville District Find a Grave Index John Oliver Lindsay died in Due West on May 11, 1900; his children were: Henry Drennan Lindsay, William Patrick Lindsay, and Minnie A. Fennell; Presbyterian Ministerial Directory, 1898, he was born on December 23, 1823 and ordained in 1844 in Due West

Page 290 D 1505 F 1505 James Lindsay 47, Farmer, 7,000 SC; In the 1850 census James Lindsay was 47, worth \$7,000 and his wife was Polly A. Lindsay, 47; dau Lucy T. Lindsay, 21 was a merchant; son Alexander P. Lindsay 18, was a student; Winfield W. Lindsay, 14; Calvin A. B. Lindsay, 12; student Drury Vaughen 18; student Alexander O. B. Bailey, 23; overseer James Parker, 30; stonecutter John Campbell 28; printer Henry D. Ray, 27; and Drusilla Ray, 18 (no identity)

In the 1860 Census, "the Village of Due West," Abbeville County (see page 305 D 2248, F 2211) John O. Lindsay's mother, Mary A. Lindsay (listed as "Polly" A. Lindsay in the 1850 Census) was listed as a fifty-six-year-old 56, farmer, worth \$5,400 in real estate and \$18,300 in personal property. Living with her were Poinsett Lindsay, 24, a farmer with \$2,00 in real estate and a \$5,000 personal estate; Winfield Lindsay, 22, a college student worth \$300 in real estate a \$1,000 personal estate and Calvin ["A. B. C. "Callie"] Lindsay, 21, a college student with 1,600 in real estate and \$3,000 in personal property.

In the Census of 1860 for Abbeville County, Calhoun Falls Post Office, (page 1, Dwelling 2, Family 2) John O. Lindsay was living in the Calhoun Falls area as an "Old South" Presbyterian Clergyman. In his house were his wife, Mary A. Lindsay (32 years old), Mary Lindsay (13 years old), Minnie Lindsay (eight years old) and Henry Lindsay (two years old). He remained in his home on the Road to Vienna at what is now Mt. Carmel until at least 1865. In early morning houses of April 4, 1865 he provided coffee for Jefferson Davis who rode on that road from Abbeville to the pontoon bridge over the Savannah at Vienna in an attempt to escape Union forces. There is an oral tradition that Varina Davis, who used the same route two weeks earlier, also stopped for refreshments with John O. Lindsay.

John O. Lindsay could not be found located anywhere in the United States Census for 1870. In the 1880 Census, Village of Due West, Abbeville County (page seven, Dwelling 40, Family 40) John O. Lindsay was listed as a fifty-six-year old clergyman with a wife aged fifty-two (M. A.), a twenty one year old son (W. D.), a fifteen year old son (J. J.) and an eight year old son, (W. P.). Elizabeth McQuerns was a boarder in his house. The written and oral tradition has J. O. Lindsay living in his father's house and that Miss McQuerns boarded with the family for many of those years. According to Find-A-Grave Index John Oliver Lindsay was born in 1823 and died on May 11, 1900. His father was James Lindsay, his mother was Mary Ann Lindsay and his wife was Mary Amanda Lindsay. His children were Henry Drennan Lindsay, William Patrick Lindsay and Minnie A. Fennell. Henry married Isabella Wynkoop and he lived at 1045 Murray Hill Avenue, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania until his death on January 18, 1914. William Patrick lived most on Washington Street, Due West with his brother, John J. Lindsay. W. P. Lindsay was a blacksmith. After the John O. Lindsay house burned, around 1895, Amanda, and moved in with John J. Lindsay and his wife, Marie Huffman Lindsay. John James and Marie moved to 200 Oakland Avenue, Spartanburg where John J. practiced medicine until his death on January 5, 1939. Marie died in Spartanburg on March 18, 1950. Minnie married Hardy Curtis Fennel (January 13, 1852 to April 14, 1932) and was buried in Providence Cemetery, Lowndesville, Abbeville County where the couple spent most of their lives after living for a few years at Cross Hill, Laurens County.

The assumption of this writer is that the oral tradition regarding the Lindsay home on Abbeville Street, is that James Lindsay could have built the home for his son, John O. Lindsay (named for his grandfather John Lindsay) sometime before 1854 (the year James Lindsay died). John O. Lindsay left the house before 1860 when he was a minister with a post office at Calhoun Mills. Lindsay was twenty-six in 1850 and his daughter was three years old. The house could have been built as early as 1846 or 1847 but almost certainly not before John O. Lindsay and Mary Amanda Drennan were married (**n.d. but around 1846**).

In 1882 William L. Pressly, minister at the Due West ARP Church, wrote Samuel A. Agnew, a Due West native who moved with his family to Guntown Mississippi before 1860 and knew Due West history historian, asking for an historical sketch of the church and town. The church was preparing to design and built its fifth building (finished in 1885). Agnew replied with a twenty-three-page letter (on legal size sheets). There are two typed copies at the McCain Library Archives and they are valuable not just for Agnew's historical knowledge. Miss Clara Bonner, a granddaughter of John I. Bonner and a life long resident of Due West as well as being a trained librarian, made handwritten notations giving various persons who had lived in a number of the houses Agnew wrote about. Agnew was a paperboy for the *Erskine Miscellany* (1850-51) and probably for the Due West *Telescope* (the editors changed

the name in early 1851). He described two “towns:” the “upper town, the area east of the Due West ARP Church, and the “lower town” the area from the church to approximately what is today Bonner Street. What Agnew said of the rest of the town is interesting.

There was no female college, no society hall, no Baptist Church, no colored people’s church, no houses on the opposite side of the street in front of Erskine College, no stores in the neighborhood where the Post Office now stands and only two in the town, no dwellings between Dr. Grier’s and Dr. Lindsay’s, no houses on the cross street by Mr. McGee’s residence, to say nothing of the many new dwellings scattered every where in the town. The road to Donalds was for a great part of the way through original forests. The town of Donalds then consisted of one dwelling and one store. The railroad was not yet completed to that place.”

Page 295 D 1509 F 1509 Robert C. Grier, 32, Clergy, Pres. of EC, 1600, NC and Page 295 D 1510 F 1510 Wll. R. Hemphill, 120-0 clergy, 1200, SC; R. C. Grier’s home was the first house on the north side of what is now Church Street and on the east end of what is now Main Street. From R. C. Grier’s house one could look “across the road” some distance through the trees and see W. R. Hemphill’s house. The Rampy family lived in the W. R. Hemphill’s house during the mid-twentieth century. Millen Ellis, in a conversation on November 28, 2018, recalled the Rampy house before it burned. He remembered it was set off the ground higher than any other house in Due West, about four feet. It appeared never to have been painted. It was on the east side of Beulah Street behind the first brick house on that street. Jimmy Wilkerson, in a conversation on November 26, 2018, stated there was an open space behind the house he once owned on Strong Circle that appeared to be an old house site and this location fit that of Millen Ellis. Joe Suddeth who bought Jimmy Wilkinson’s house, on November 28, 2018, stated he had found what appeared to be an old house foundation in the same location. If the Hemphill house was located in the spot Millen Ellis recalls, it would be across Main Street from the house built by James P. Pressly in the twentieth century. That would have been the location of R. C. Grier’s house later occupied by his widow B. B. Grier. The next house east of R. C. Grier was that of R. C. Sharp. Sharp’s house was on this location before Erskine was founded and still stands.

Dr. Lindsay was John O. Lindsay and his house was one of the oldest in the area located “where the roads meet (the road that ran from the church to Abbeville and the road from Cambridge to Pendleton). Before 1854 that home was the residence of his father, James Lindsay. Mr. McGee’s residence still stands on the corner of Washington Street and Main Street today and it was built in 1880 five years after the “McGee double brick stores were built”. Agnew did not mean no houses were west of Erskine’s Main Building before 1860. There were three houses west of the college’s thirteen acres: James Lindsay (later owned by John O. Lindsay), John Lindsay (James Lindsay’s father, located on the campus of Renaissance) and John N. Young (whose house still stands on what was the road from Cambridge to Pendleton). Within a short time two more houses were added: James Lindsay built a house for his son (almost certainly John O. Lindsay) on what is now Abbeville Street sometime before 1854 and, in 1861 John I. Bonner’s home. He lived in the house with R. C. Grier where his first two children were born. In c. 1861 he moved into his house located on the site of the current 1938 McQuiston Seminary Building. He moved the 1838 Girls Academy building, located across Main Street from the site of James Liddell Miller’s house, and renovated the structure. After Bonner’s death the home was purchased by Robert Calvin Brownlee and was rented to Arthur Calhoun when it burned in 1935. By 1861 there were no other houses on the south side of Main Street from Bonner’s house west to the town limits.

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