

Jesse Carter



No Picture Available
 Born: 1774 Colleton, SC
 Married: Mary Touchton
 Died: 1847 Lowndes, GA
 Parents: George Carter & Unknown

CARTER, Jesse.

1774-1847

LOWNDES

CAPT. JESSE CARTER, who commanded a company of Lowndes County militia in the Indian War in 1838, was born in South Carolina in 1774, a son of George Carter, R. S. He grew up on Saltketcher River in Colleton District, S. C., where he was married about 1798 to Mary (called "Molsy") Touchton, born in S. C. To them were born the following children:

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| 1. William | b. 1801, S. C., m. Nannie Monk, dau. of Wm. |
| 2. George | b. 1805, S. C., m. Mary Parrish, dau. of Henry. |
| 3. Rachel | b. 1806, S. C., m. William C. Knight. |
| 4. James, twin, | b. 1809, S. C., m. Pollie Bennett, dau. of John. |
| 5. John, twin, | b. 1809, S. C., m. Elizabeth Knight, dau. of Wm. A. |
| 6. Sarah | b. 1815, Ga., m. Dennis Wetherington. |
| 7. Isaac | b. 1816, Ga., m. Rachel Sirmans, dau. of Benj. |
| 8. Elijah | b. 1822, Ga., m. Nicy Prescott, dau. of Moses. |
| 9. Nancy | b. 1825, Ga., m. James A. Darsey. |

In 1809, Jesse Carter, his father and several brothers and sisters, with their respective families, all moved to Tattnall County, Georgia. There Jesse Carter had 199 acres of land on Watermelon Creek surveyed for him August 10, 1809, and 631 acres adjoining on Oct. 10, 1809, grants afterward issuing to him from the State for the same. He sold the 631-acre tract to Samuel Slone, of Bryan County, July 25, 1815, and ten years

later after his removal to Lowndes County, deeded the 199-acre tract to John Duke Dec. 27, 1825; deed executed in Lowndes County (see deed book "B", page 329, Tattnall County).

When Appling County was created and opened up to settlers in 1819, Jesse Carter with others of his family connection, moved from Tattnall County across the Altamaha River into the new county. He acquired land about six miles southeast of old Holmesville, ante-bellum county-seat of Appling County. The first term of Appling Superior Court was held at the Carter home in 1820, and the first election in the county was also held at his home, by legislative act; Mr. Carter was elected one of the first Justices of the Inferior Court at this election, and served until the next regular election the following year (1821).

One of the main objects in the Carters moving to Georgia was that they may find better pasturage for their herds of cattle. In 1825 he sold out in Appling County and moved further southward, locating in the new county of Lowndes on the west side of the Alapaha River. It is said he brought with him from Appling County, 1260 head of cattle which were looked after by his sons, William and George, and several faithful slaves.

The Carter plantation became a large one, and was located about one and one-half miles south of the present town of Lakeland. Mr. Carter gave the land for a "meeting-house" on the banks of the Alapaha River and a few months later, October 1st, 1825, Union Baptist Church was organized at "Carter's Meeting-house", becoming the first organized church in Lowndes County. Although he gave the land and built the original building almost unaided by others, yet Mr. Carter does not appear by the church records to have ever been a member. His wife was, however, a member. She was baptized into the church membership Dec. 8, 1827, and died a member.

Mr. Carter served in 1827 as Representative from Lowndes County to the General Assembly. He raised a company of militia during the Indian troubles in 1838, and commanded it as Captain, July 1st to October 15, 1838.

Due to the loss of Lowndes County records not much can be learned as to his estate. The following is taken from an Appraisement Book for the period 1846-1854, which was the only book saved from the Ordinary's Office when it was burned in the early 1870s; The inventory of the estate was dated Sept. 9, 1847, and showed 184 head of cattle, eight slaves, and Lots of Land Nos. 413, 414, 415, 416, 516, 11th District of original Irwin, now Lowndes. The slaves were sold at public sale Jan. 5, 1848, by the administrators, William Carter and James Carter; the lands were sold Jan. 2, 1849 at public sale; in each instance, the

slaves and cattle were bid in by some of the heirs. The home-place became the property of the youngest daughter, Mrs. Darsey, and her mother continued to make her home there until her death sometime about 1858.

CENSUS REFERENCES: 1810, *Tattnall* (jury-list); 1820, *Appling*; 1830, 1840, *Lowndes*.

CARTER, JESSE (p. 38) : (1st) He was named in a legislative resolution approved Nov. 15, 1822, as one of the commissioners to select a site for the public buildings in and for the County of Appling. (2nd) He was in a similar resolution, approved Dec. 26, 1826, added to the commissioners previously appointed to select the county-site in Lowndes County. (3rd) He was appointed by the legislature Dec. 27, 1826, as one of the trustees to administer the "Poor School Fund" for Lowndes County.

INDIAN TROUBLES IN WIREGRASS GEORGIA

MUSTER ROLL
CAPTAIN JESSE CARTER'S INDEPENDENT COMPANY OF MILITIA
OF LOWNDES COUNTY
Serving August 15, 1838 to October 15, 1838

INDIAN TROUBLES
IN
WIREGRASS GEORGIA

From the Collection
of
Judge Folks Huxford



Captain:	Jesse Carter	4 th Sgt:	James Walker
Lieut:	James Touchston	1 st Corp:	William S. Peters
2 nd Lieut:	Issac Carter, Sr.	2 nd Corp:	Isaac D. Hutto
1 st Sgt:	Jesse W. Carter		
2 nd Sgt:	Isaac Carter, Jr.		
3 rd Sgt:	John Mathis		

Privates:

1. Allen, Hansford	13. Chancey, Edmund	25. Moore, Allen
2. Allen, John	14. Cowart, Larkin	26. Mathis, Edmund
3. Allen, James	15. Carter, Elijah	27. McLean, John
4. Blackburn, Daniel J.	16. Drawdy, Levi	28. Rentz, Samuel
5. Carter, John J.	17. Dennison, Wm.P.	29. Rice, John
6. Carter, William	18. Griffis, Sam A.	30. Stanford, David
7. Carter, James	19. Ganos, Benj. C.	31. Sherley, Jesse G.
8. Carter, Samuel	21. Howell, Hardy	32. Touchston, Wm.
9. Carter, David	22. Lightsey, Samuel	33. Weatherington, Curtis
10. Carter, George	23. Lee, John	34. Weatherington, Benj.
11. Clements, William E.	24. Lee, Moses C.	35. Weatherington, Dennis
12. Chancey, Hugh		36. Weatherington, Wm.
		37. Wilkerson, Wm. D.

The Southern Recorder.

MILLEDGEVILLE, GEORGIA, TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1847.

WILL BE SOLD at the late residence of Jesse Carter, deceased, in Lowndes county, on the 25th day of August next, the stock of cattle, hogs and sheep, belonging to said estate. Sold for the benefit of heirs and creditors. Sale to continue from day to day until all are sold. Terms on the day.

WILLIAM CARTER, } Adm'rs.
JAMES CARTER, }

July 20, 1847

28 tds

Lowndes Court of Ordinary

May Term 1848

Account of Sale, Estate of Jesse Carter

Sale of personal property of Jesse Carter decd. 5th January 1848			\$ cts
1 Road Waggon	Sold	J. R. Darsey	90.00
2 Saddles	"	James Carter	1.00
1 Bay Horse	"	Maucy Carter	50.00
1 Rohn "	"	Wm S. Roberts	90.00
1 Hand Saw	"	John Carter	1.50
1 Wedge & hoe	"	Wm A Carter	1.75
1 Lot Grin[d] stone	"	James Carter	3.00
Drawing Knife Auger & plough		Isaac Carter	1.00
1 Bull "	"	John Smith	.20
2 Hoes	"	George Carter	1.00
1 Jointer Jack & smoothing plane "	"	John Carter	2.00
1 Lot old Tools	"	James Carter	5.43 1/4
1 Lot old Axes	"	Wm C. Knight	1.75
1 " " Hoes & Spades	"	James Carter	1.50
1 Lock Chain	"	J. A. Darsey	3.00
Scales & Weights	"	Wm Peters	2.25
1 Cross Cut Saw & 2 Axes	"	John Carter	1.50
1 Rope	"	Wm C. Knight	.37 1/2
1 Lot Waggon Irons	"	" " "	5.00
Traces & Harness	"	Dennis Witherington	2.37 1/2
1 pr Scales	"	John Carter	1.50
1 Harnes & Chains	"	J. A. Darsey	.50
1 Box old Frumpery	"	W. C. Knight	1.50
1 Hand Mill	"	Dennis Witherington	5.00
1 Wagon Plough	"	Joshua Lee	1.16 1/4
1 pr steel yards	"	Jonathan Knight	1.00
1 Musket	"	Isaac Carter	.50
1 Shot Gun	"	E. C. Main	5.00
1 Rifle	"	W. C. Knight	3.12 1/2
1 pr Shears	"	W. Robertson	.75
1 Loom	"	Robert Chism	4.25
1 Table, Pails &c	"	E. C. Main	2.00
1 Pot, oven Breadhoe	"	J. A. Darsey	3.50
2 ovens & 2 pots	"	James Carter	8.62
1 Large pot	"	Benjamin Witherington	3.12 1/2
1 Spinning wheel	"	Griffin Carter	1.12
1 Grind Stone	"	James Carter	3.12 1/2
1 Table & Crockery	"	E. Sirmons	3.00

Lowndes Court of Ordinary

May Term 1848

Sale of Jesse Carter decd. Continued

1 Bucket & Strainer	Sold	B. Witherington	1.37
1 Red Slate & Cards	"	Isaac Carter	1.87
1 2 Gal. Jug	"	J. A. Darsey	.50
1 Jug	"	Wm C. Knight	.75
1 kettle	"	Benj. Witherington	.62
1 Table	"	Dennis Witherington	.25
1 Clock	"	James Allen	5.25
1 Lot old Chairs	"	Wm. M Thompson	3.00
2 Trunks	"	James Carter	3.00
1 Razor Stone & Strop	"	J. A. Darsey	1.75
1 Gun Lock Strap	"	Jesse W. Carter	6.62
1 Bed & Bedstead	"	Dennis Witherington	18.00
1 " "	"	Molsey Carter	1.00
1 " "	"	Isaac Carter	22.00
1 Coffee Mill	"	J. A. Darsey	.25
25 Bushels Corn	"	Norman Allen	17.50
25 " "	"	Jesse P. Vining	17.50
25 " "	"	Isaac Carter	17.50
25 " "	"	Wm M Thompson	17.50
25 " "	"	Wm S Peters	15.62
25 " "	"	Seth Thompson	12.50
25 " "	"	Richard Allen	12.50
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1 Rope & Box	"	Wm. C. Knight	2.87 1/2
3 Hd Fat Hogs	"	Seth Thompson	19.50
3 Head of hogs	"	Wm. Peters	2.50
4260 lbs cotton \$3.75 per cnt	"	James Touchstone	159.77
15 Cnt Fodder	"	Richard Allen	9.37 1/2
Rent of plantation	"	John Touchstone	61.00
Fire Dog	"	James Carter	2.50
1 Lot old Barrels	"	Wm. C. Knight	.75
4 Hd hogs \$6 per hd	"	James Touchstone	24.00
59 Bush Corn 67c per Bush	"	James Carter	39.53

Wm Carter } Admr.
James Carter }



Jesse Carter buried in Union (Burnt) Church Cemetery, Lowndes County, GA



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