

Kirtley Family Genealogy Notes

Georgia

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Cobb Co., Marietta Journal, 17 May 1872

"Marietta from 1833 to 1872"

"The town was surveyed in the summer of 1833. Judge Green says boys caught coons in the public square. The first house was built and occupied by James Anderson, who was the first postmaster. The first courthouse was in a log cabin at the southeast corner of the park. The first jail was built by Josiah Massey. G. W. Winters, the father of John R., was the first tavernkeeper. At the end of 1833, there were 100 inhabitants. Those still living are Mrs. Winters, J. R. Winters, Mrs. E. Anderson, Mrs. Knight, N. B. Green, Watson W. Simpson, Mrs. William Root and Mrs. Maney. The first school house was a double log cabin built on the lot now occupied by Mr. Alston McAfee. The first tanyard was opened by Lem Kirtley [#219] on the branch near W. S. McElfresh's residence. The first person buried in the City Cemetery was Mrs. Lem Kirtley [#219/1], second was Mrs. Johnson. The first barbecue was on election day, August 1834. The first railroad meeting was held in Cherokee, Georgia, assembled in this place in a log house belonging to William Green. This meeting was in 1835; Capt. James Anderson was president and N. B. Green secretary. Hon. George D. Rice was the principal speaker."

Cobb Co., Marietta Journal, 24 May 1872

"Marietta from 1833 to 1872"

"The first school trustees were George Winters, William B. Malone, Lem Kirtley [#219], William Morris and J. R. Brooks. Judge T. M. Kirkpatrick and Benson Roberts were added in 1836. The first couple married here were James W. Carlton and Emaline Hornbuckle. Benson Roberts was the first keeper of the Old Marietta Hotel. The first church was built by the Baptists in about the center of the now Confederate Cemetery."

Cobb Co., Loose Estate Records

Kirtly, Lemma [#219]

Box 1, folder 150, 1843 {10064}

Elbert Co., Deed Book A, p. 48 {3470}

Date: 14 Aug 1790

Grantor: William Head [#27/1] and Peggy [#27], his wife (of Wilkes [Elbert] Co.)

Grantee: Noah Harbour (of Halifax Co., VA)

Amount: 50 pounds

Description: 400 acres on Cold Water Creek, being part of a tract granted to Nick Long

Witnesses: Reuben Allen, J. P.