Cousin Annie Moseley Wilbourn of Meridian, Ms. gave this to Carolyn Hairston Henderson in 1994.

FAMILY RECORD DEATHS

MRS. WORTLEY VIRGINIA HAIRSTON

"BLESSED ARE THE DEAD WHICH DIE IN THE LORD FROM HENCEFORTH: YEA, SAITH THE SPIRIT, THAT THEY MAY REST FROM THEIR LABORS, AND THEIR WORKS DO FOLLOW THEM."

MRS. WORTLEY VIRGINIA HAIRSTON WAS THE DAUGHTER OF MR. JOHN TOWNES MOSELEY AND MRS. MARY WORTLEY MONTAGUE MOSELEY OF POWHATAN COUNTY, VA. SHE WAS BORN IN HER HOME POWHATAN CO. VA. OCTOBER 25, 1831, AND DIED AT HER HOME IN LOWNDES CO. MS. FEBRUARY 11, 1902 IN 1835 SHE MOVED TO NOXUBEE! COUNTY MISS. WITH HER PARENTS. SHE RESIDED THERE UNTIL HER MARRIAGE. ON DEC. 20, 1848 SHE WAS HAPPILY MARRIED TO DR. P. C. HAIRSTON, A PROMINENT PHYSICIAN AND WORTHY CHRISTIAN GENTLEMAN, WHO PRECEDED HER TO HIS HEAVENLY REST IN 1889. THIS UNION WAS BLESSED WITH FOURTEEN CHILDREN, NINE OF WHOM SURVIVE THE PARENTS, FILLING IMPORTANT POSITIONS IN SOCIETY. MRS. HAIRSTON REMEMBERED HER CREATOR IN THE DAYS OF HER YOUTH, AND UNITED WITH THE OLD WAHALAK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. SUBSEQUENT TO HER MARRIAGE, HER MEMBERSHIP WAS TRANSFERRED TO BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, IN THE VICINITY OF HER NEW HOME, WHERE SHE REMAINED A ZEALOUS, CONSISTENT MEMBER UNTIL HER TRANSLATION TO THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT. POSSESSING MANY GRACES OF HEART AND MIND, BOTH BY NATURE AND CULTURE, SHE WAS EASILY A LEADER IN ALL THINGS PERTAINING TO THE WELFARE OF HUMANITY AND THE GLORY OF GOD. SHE WAS MOST EXEMPLARY IN HER SOCIAL AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS. HER HOME WAS EVER A PLACE OF GENEROUS HOSPITALITY.

AS A WIFE AND CHRISTIAN MOTHER, SHE WAS KIND, PATIENT, SELF-DENYING, LOVING AND TRUE, DEVOTING HER ENERGIES TO TRAIN HER CHILDREN IN THE NURTURE AND ADMONITION OF THE LORD. AND HER CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN RISE UP AND CALL HER BLESSED.