

**Discoveries of the History**  
of the  
**Tallahassee**  
**Descendants & Ancestors**  
of  
*William Theodore “Willie” Proctor*  
&  
*Lela Alice Mickler*

**(including the families of Proctor, Mickler, Saxon, Lowe & Hale)**

**Oak Grove ca. 1900**

**J. Doug Smith (great-grandson)  
March 2019**



## **We Are Tallahassee & Florida Pioneers**

**Our Proctor ancestors had first located from Philadelphia to Camden County, Georgia in 1798 and then into Spanish East Florida in the early 1800s, and Lela's maternal great-grandfather John Tolson Lowe fought in the Revolutionary War and relocated from Maryland to Spanish East Florida in 1800.**

**Earl Proctor relocated to Tallahassee from Fernandina in 1905 and was followed by his mother Lela, and siblings Theo, Florence, Louise, Ruby & Ralph in January 1907.**

**In 1828, four years after the founding of Tallahassee and 17 years before Florida obtained statehood Lela's maternal grandmother Elizabeth B. Hale and great-grandfather Joseph O. Hale relocated from North Carolina via Alabama to Leon County in the new Florida Territory, and her grandfather Rev. Henry Saxon located here about 1833.**

**Although our branch of the Proctor family did not settle in Tallahassee until the early 1900s, Lela's brother Pete moved from Wellborn, Suwanee County in 1893 followed by siblings Robert in 1897, and Kate and step-mother Maggie in 1901, and sister Tillie moved from Fernandina in 1902.**

**Lela's grandfather Daniel Mickler from St. Marys enlisted in Jacksonville on July 22, 1837, in the Florida Mounted Volunteers during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Seminole War & located to Suwannee County before 1856.**

**All of us here today are 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> generation Tallahasseeans, and we are all, true Florida Pioneers.**

# William Theodore "Willie" Proctor Sr. (1858-1906) & Lela Alice Mickler (1863-1940)



According to Ruby, Willie & Lela were married December 2, 1885, but their Marriage License & Certification of Matrimony is dated December 3, 1885.

**MARRIAGE LICENSE**

State of Florida. Suwannee County.

To ANY MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL, OR ANY OFFICER LEGALLY AUTHORIZED TO SOLEMNIZE THE RITE OF MATRIMONY:

WHEREAS, Application having been made to the CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF SUWANNEE COUNTY, of the Third Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, for a LICENSE FOR MARRIAGE, and it appearing to the satisfaction of said Clerk that no legal impediments exist to the MARRIAGE now sought to be solemnized, these are therefore to authorize you to unite in the

**HOLY ESTATE OF MATRIMONY.**

*William Proctor* and *Lela A. Mickler*

and that you make return of the same, duly certified under your hand to the Clerk of the Circuit Court aforesaid.

Witness, *J. W. Newman* Clerk of said Circuit Court,

and the seal of said Court, at the Court-House in Live Oak, this *3<sup>rd</sup>* day of *December* 188*5*

*J. W. Newman* CLERK.  
*J. S. Bynum* DEPUTY

I CERTIFY THAT THE WITHIN NAMED  
*Mr. William P. Proctor and Miss Lela A. Mickler*

were by me, the undersigned duly united in the Holy Estate of Matrimony, by the authority of the within License.

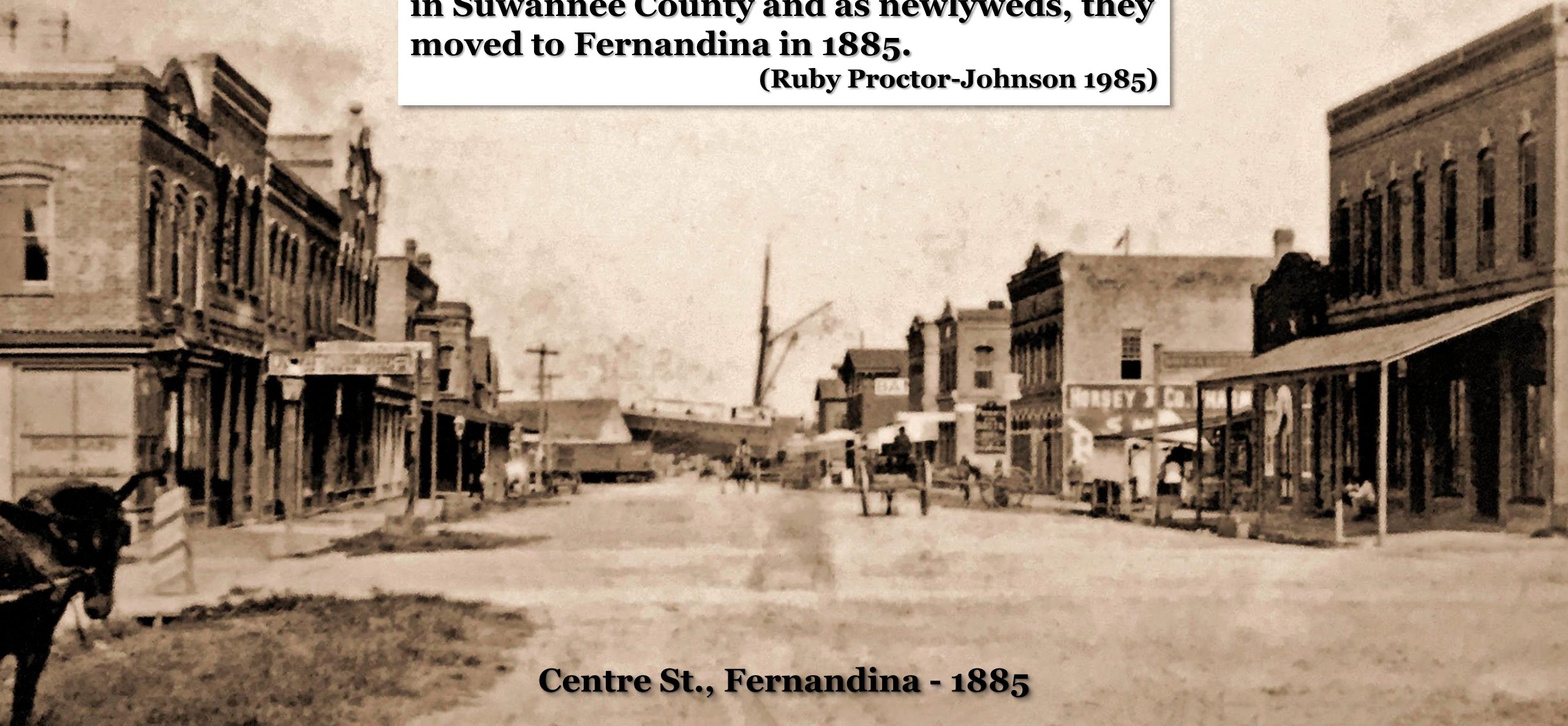
Done this the *3<sup>rd</sup>* day of *December* 188*5*

*A. S. Gagne*

Done this the *3<sup>rd</sup>* day of *December* 188*5*

**After Willie & Lela Proctor were married  
in Suwannee County and as newlyweds, they  
moved to Fernandina in 1885.**

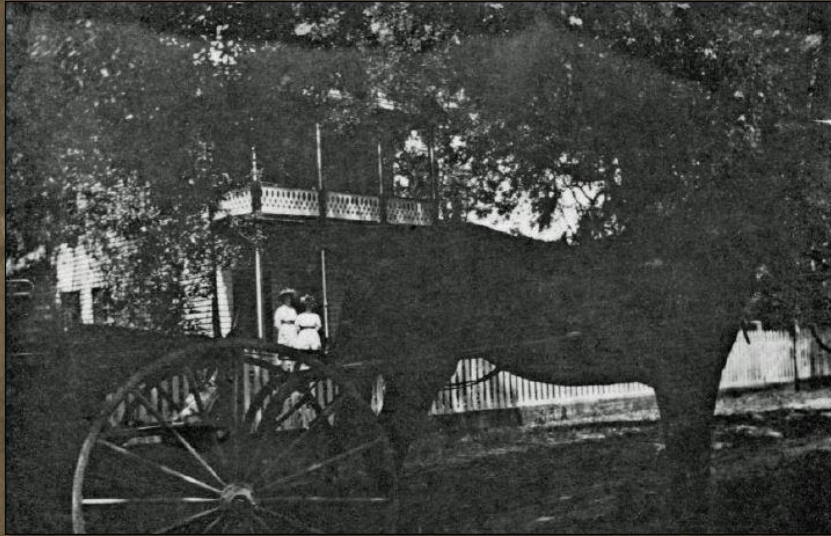
**(Ruby Proctor-Johnson 1985)**



**Centre St., Fernandina - 1885**

**We lived in a 2-story house with a porch on the front and back.**

**(Ruby Proctor-Johnson 1985)**



**They [Willie & Lela] settled on the middle part of Amelia Island about 3 miles [south] from town where Willie was a cattleman.**

**All of the children except for Earl were born here in this home place.**

**(Ruby Proctor-Johnson 1985)**

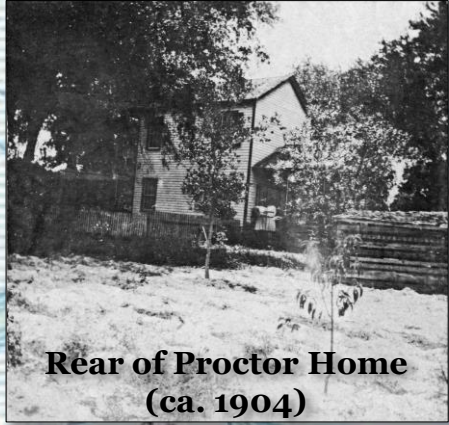


**Papa owned property on both sides of the road leading to Amelia Bluff on the south-end of Amelia Island.**

**(Ruby Proctor-Johnson 1985)**

**Area 4 miles south near Harrison Creek ca. 1900, much like it would have appeared in the area of the Proctor Home.**

# Location of The Proctor's 28 acres on Amelia Island (1885-1906)



Rear of Proctor Home (ca. 1904)

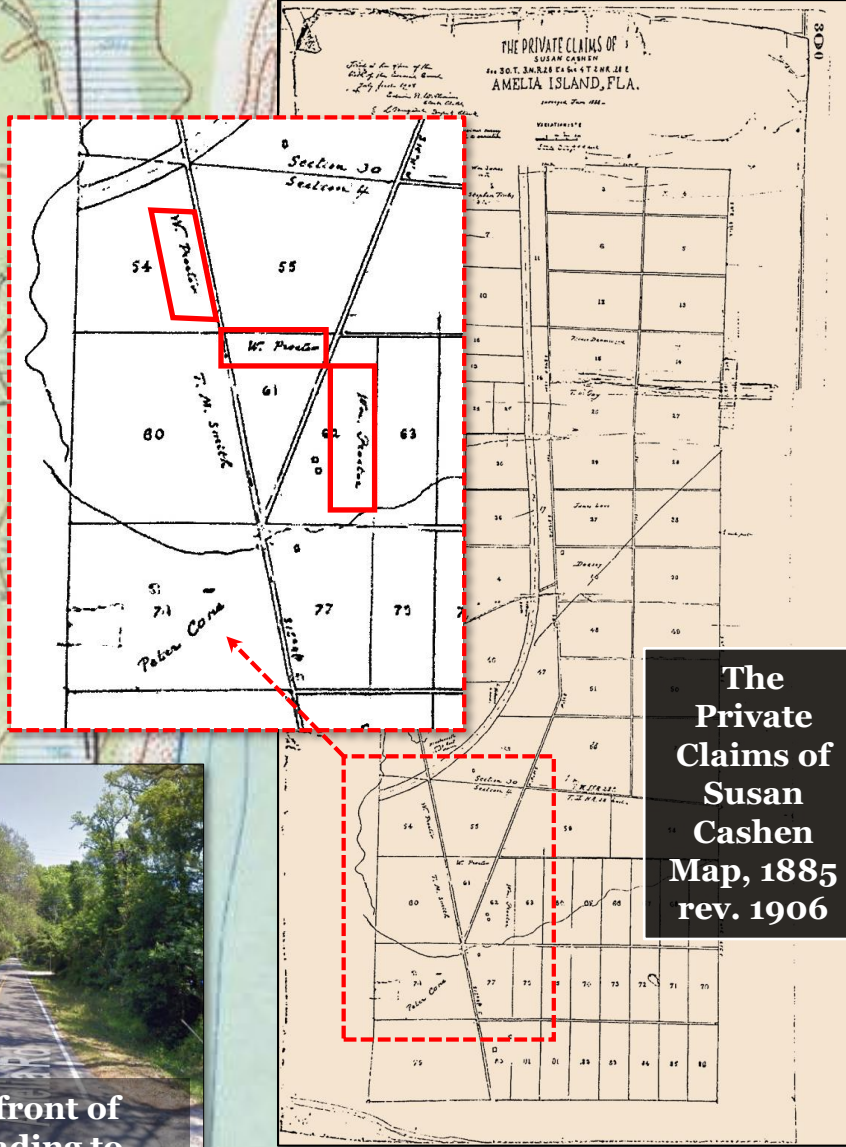
Map of Amelia Island 1919

**2019**



Lot 54,  
4/10's of a  
mile east of  
Amelia  
Island Pkwy.

4 lots = 28 total acres

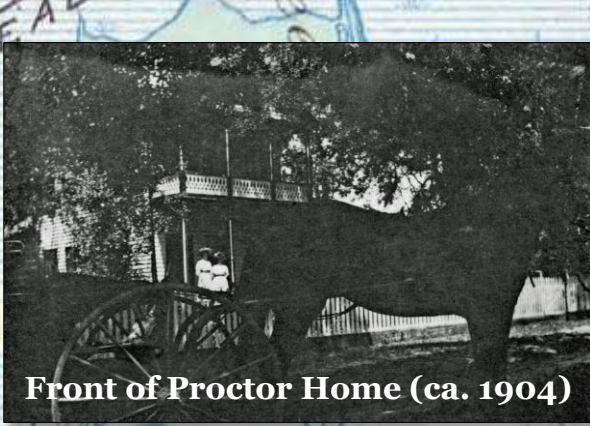


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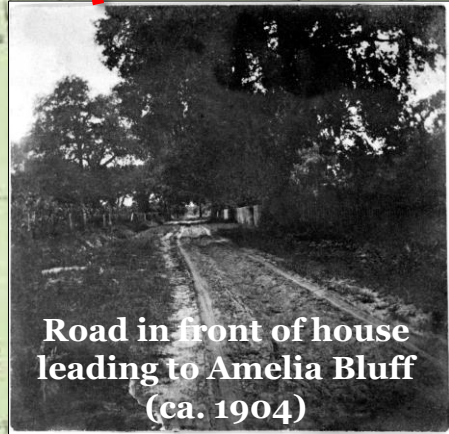
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W. Proctor  
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Palm Cove

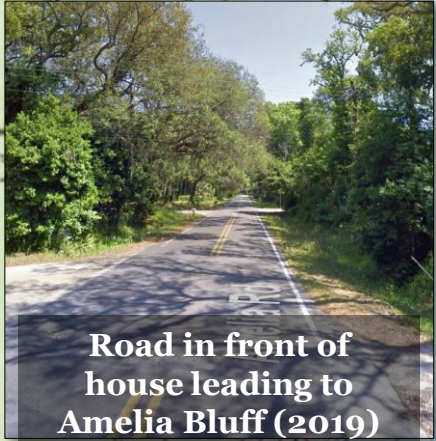
The Private Claims of Susan Cashen Map, 1885 rev. 1906



Front of Proctor Home (ca. 1904)

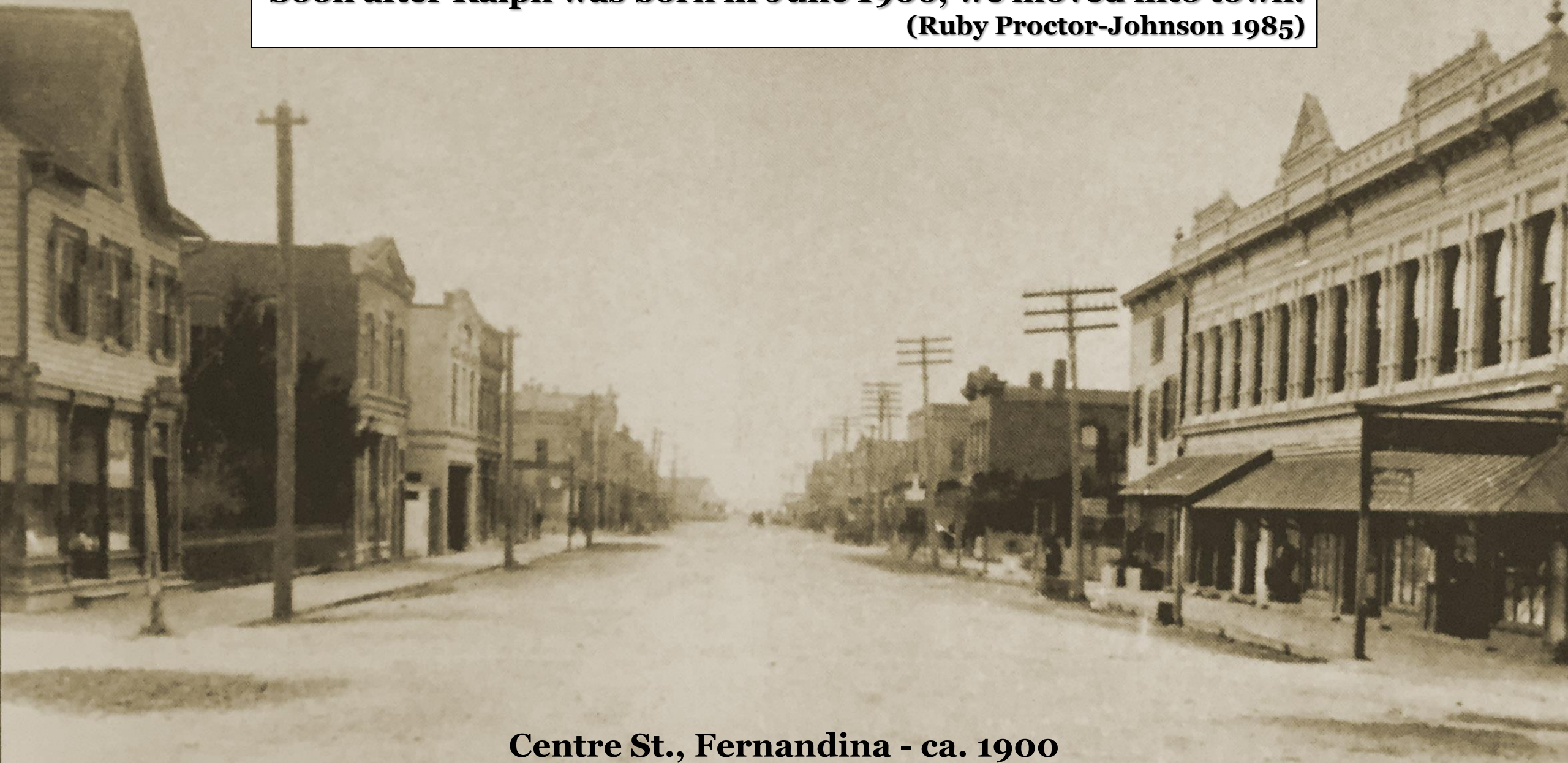


Road in front of house leading to Amelia Bluff (ca. 1904)



Road in front of house leading to Amelia Bluff (2019)

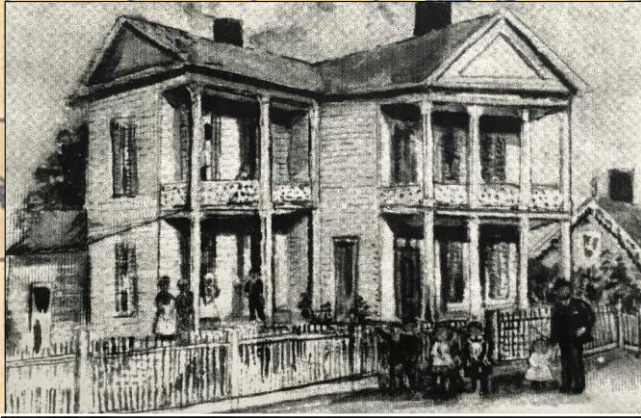
**Soon after Ralph was born in June 1906, we moved into town.  
(Ruby Proctor-Johnson 1985)**



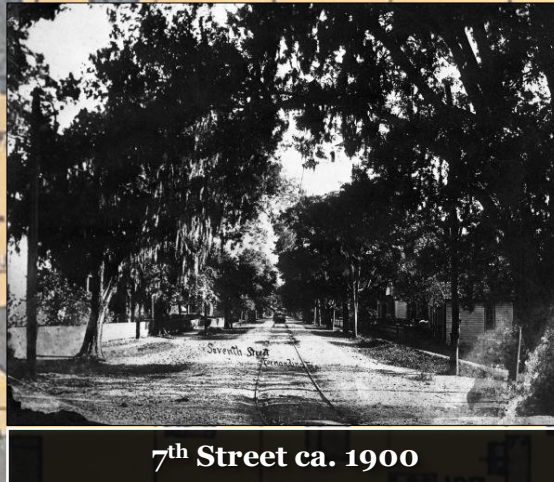
**Centre St., Fernandina - ca. 1900**

# The Proctor Home in Fernandina (1906-1907) & Location of Willie's Death (401 South 7<sup>th</sup> Street) (southwest corner)

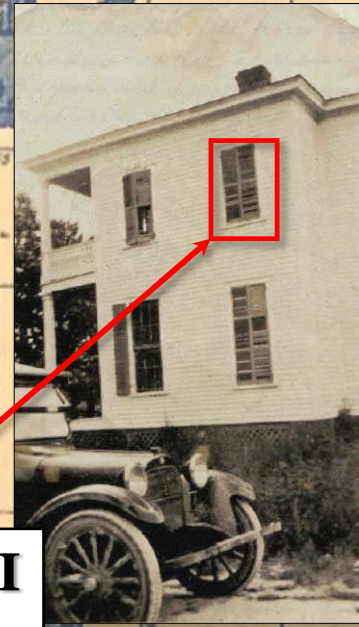
APRIL 1903  
FERNANDINA  
FLA.



Sketch by former resident 1893



7<sup>th</sup> Street ca. 1900



Ruby's photo ca. 1910



1946 Photo

It was at this house in town that I  
fell out of the upstairs window...  
(Ruby Proctor-Johnson 1985)



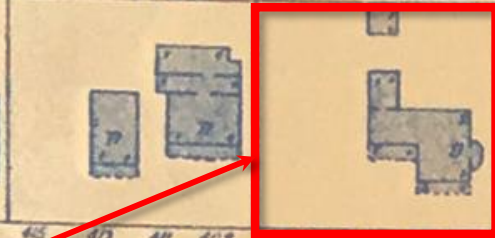
2016



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# William Theodore "Willie" Proctor Sr. (1858-1906)

...I do remember Papa [Willie] was taken sick Sunday morning ... and died the middle of the afternoon. Cause of death was listed as congestive chill I believe but we were never real sure or whether the doctor gave him wrong medicine by mistake.

(Ruby Proctor-Johnson 1985)

Ruby believed her father had died from the congestive chill. In fact, he died from Pernicious Malarial Fever also known as "*Blackwater Fever*" which causes internal bleeding (a.k.a. congestive chill).

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH.	
Office of BOARD OF HEALTH.	
County of Nassau, State of Florida, <u>Oct 27</u> 19 <u>06</u>	
To the City Board of Health for Fernandina, Fla.	
Name <u>William Theodore Proctor</u>	Descent <u>Leucossian</u>
Age <u>48 yrs. 8 mo. 28 days</u>	Date of Death <u>Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> 1906</u>
Sex <u>Male</u>	Cause of Death <u>Pernicious Malarial Fever (Malarial Hematuria)</u>
Color <u>White</u>	Locality <u>city 7<sup>th</sup> + Date Sts.</u>
Length Residence in Florida <u>15 yrs.</u>	Medical Attendant <u>W. Sheel Waas</u>
Married or Single <u>Married</u>	Remarks
Occupation <u>Butcher</u>	
Nativity <u>St. Marys Ga.</u>	

I hereby certify the above is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
W. Sheel Waas Attending Physician.

Give all information called for on this blank. Write in ink, not pencil. Do not use figures in designating month.

Cause of Death Pernicious Malarial Fever (Malarial Hematuria)

In those days with no phone, nor daily papers, when a person passed away, the family of the deceased would send the funeral announcement & plans around from house to house on a tray.

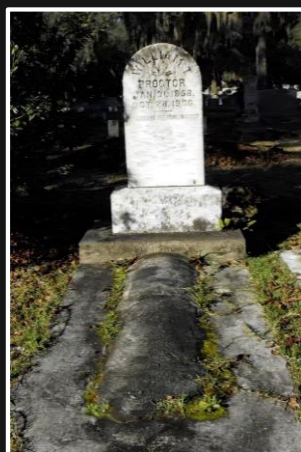
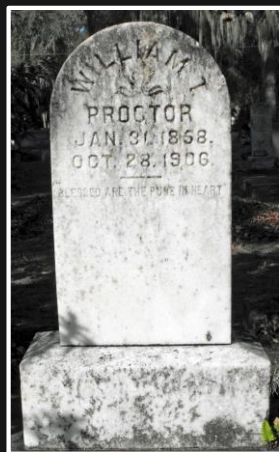
(Ruby Proctor Johnson 1985)

Although the Funeral Notice is tattered & now in 9 pieces, it still has the black ribbon attached.

**Transcription:**

The Funeral Services of the late Mr. W.T. Proctor will be held at his late residence corner of Seventh and Date Streets at 11:30 A.M. The burial will be at St. Marys Cemetery (illegible) Relatives and Friends to attend - the Pilot boat Amelia will be at the foot of Center Street at 12 noon to take those who wish to go.

Mr. T. P. Mickle and sister, Mrs. Temple, went to Fernandina Monday to attend the funeral of their brother-in-law, Mr. W. T. Proctor.



# Lela Alice Mickler-Proctor (1863-1940)

## MRS. L. A. PROCTOR HONORED AT PARTY FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Mrs. C. B. McKinnon, Mrs. M. C. McNeill and Mrs. Claude Johnson entertained Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. McKinnon on West Gaines street in honor of their mother, Mrs. L. A. Proctor, the occasion being her sixty-eighth birthday.

The house was beautiful with artistic arrangement of fall flowers.

The dining table was overlaid with a lovely lace cloth and lighted tapers were placed at either end of the table. Centering the table was the birthday cake with lighted candles.

Mrs. Proctor was showered with gifts, each being accompanied by an appropriate verse, which was read aloud.

Mrs. Ralph Proctor and Marvin McKinnon rendered a beautiful musical program.

A delicious ice course was served during the afternoon.

The guests on this delightful occasion included: Mrs. T. F. Temple, Mrs. P. T. Mickler, Mrs. Lawrence Evans, Mrs. A. F. Phillips, Mrs. O. O. Mickler, Mrs. R. H. Mickler, Mrs. Y. F. Jones, Mrs. H. Felkel, Mrs. Coleman, Mrs. George Saxon, Mrs. W. F. Dunkle, Mrs. F. E. Steinmeyer, Mrs. R. M. Evans, Mrs. C. Pepper, Mrs. J. C. Williamson, Mrs. S. McGriff, Mrs. J. P. Yawn, Mrs. A. S. Causseaux, Mrs. Ola M. Richardson, Mrs. Earl Proctor, Mrs. Theo. Proctor and Mrs. Ralph Proctor. 1931

## Mrs. L. A. Proctor Celebrates Birthday

Mrs L A Proctor, who celebrated her 75th birthday Monday, was honored at a delightful buffet supper party Monday evening by her son and daughter-in-law, Mr and Mrs Theo Proctor.

Party rooms of the Proctors' beautiful new home on Beard street were exquisitely decorated in Christmas motif; yaupon, poinsettias, red tapers, and evergreens.

Mrs Proctor, the honoree, was gowned in a lovely black dinner dress. Handsome gifts were brought to her on a silver tray.

Those who attended the celebration with Mrs Proctor are, her children, Mr and Mrs Earl Proctor, Mr and Mrs C B McKinnon, Mr and Mrs Malcolm McNeil, Mr and Mrs Claude Johnson, Mr and Mrs Ralph Proctor, and her sister, Mrs Tillie Temple. 1938



## Funeral Services For Mrs. Proctor Held Here Today

Services for Mrs Lela A Proctor, widow of the late W T Proctor, sr, and beloved church worker, were planned today for 4:30 p m at the Trinity Methodist church with the Rev Jack Anderson officiating.

Burial will be in the Oakland cemetery. Mrs Proctor died at her home on East Ingleside ave at 8:30 last night after an intermittent illness which became serious about two weeks ago.

Mrs Proctor was an active worker in the Methodist missionary society and the WCTU.

Daughter of Peter T Mickler and Elizabeth Saxon Mickler, she was born Dec 5, 1863, in Wellborn.

Mrs Proctor is survived by three sons, O Earl Proctor, W Theo Proctor and Ralph E Proctor; three daughters, Mrs C B McKinnon, Mrs Malcolm McNeill, and Mrs Claude L Johnson, all of Tallahassee; two sisters, Mrs A F Philips of Tallahassee and Mrs L Dyal of Jacksonville; four brothers, P T Mickler, O O Mickler, Tallahassee; Sam Mickler, Bushnell, and the Rev J E Mickler of DeLand.

Survivors also include the following grandchildren:

Dr Earl Proctor, Julian Proctor, Marvin McKinnon, Mrs Clinton Smith, Mrs James Vaughan, Miss Florence McKinnon, Frances Proctor, Theo Proctor, jr, Miss Mary Alice McNeill, Miss Teresa McNeill, Miss Dot McNeill, Malcolm McNeill, Dane McNeill, Madeline Johnson, Amelia Ann Johnson, Ralph Proctor, jr, William Stanley Proctor; and one great-grandchild, Margery Lou McKinnon.

Pallbearers asked to serve include, B A Ragsdale, W A Bass, Dr W E Van Brunt, M C O'Berry, Dr L L Dozier, Payne H Midvette, and Frank D Moor. 1940

**Fernandina, FL**  
**November 11, 1909**  
**My Dear Lela,**  
**Your father & I have lived in Florida ever since we were married lived at Welborn, as well as I can remember Pete was at home when the [Civil] war closed...**  
**Maggie J. Mickler**

## Letter from Maggie J. Mickler to Lela 1909

*Fernandina Florida  
 November 11, 1909*

*My dear Lela*

*your father and I have lived in Florida ever since we were married lived at Welborn, as well as I can remember Pete was at home when the war closed. The Gaffens are holding a reunion in Fernandina and it is very old this morning. My age is in Jacksonville this morning will not be home in the morning. He told I think she might visit me I know I do not wish to be a burden to you but I have the heart and I hope you will love her and every one of your family and that as ever yours truly*

*Maggie J. Mickler*

<p><b>CLASS OF SERVICE</b></p> <p>This is a full-rate Telegram or Cablegram unless its deferred character is indicated by a suitable symbol above or preceding the address.</p>	<h1 style="margin: 0;">WESTERN UNION</h1> <p style="font-size: small;">NEWCOMB CARLTON CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD</p> <p style="font-size: small;">J. C. WILLEVER FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT</p>	<p><b>SYMBOLS</b></p> <p>DL=Day Letter</p> <p>NL=Night Letter</p> <p>LC=Deferred Cable</p> <p>NLT=Cable Night Letter</p> <p>Ship Radiogram</p>
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MR AND MRS C B MCKINNON =

DUVALL ST

VERY SORRY TO LEARN OF GRANDMOTHERS DEATH. YOU HAVE OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY =

MAE AND LAWTON AND FAMILY.

**Telegram from Maggie J. Mickler to Lela 1909**

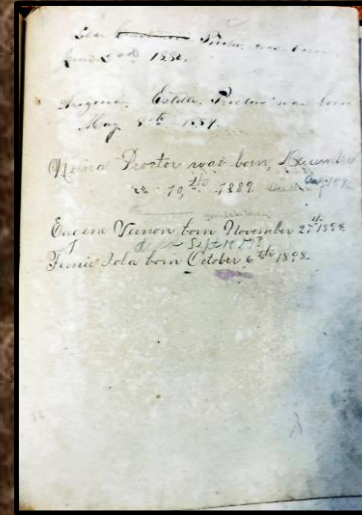
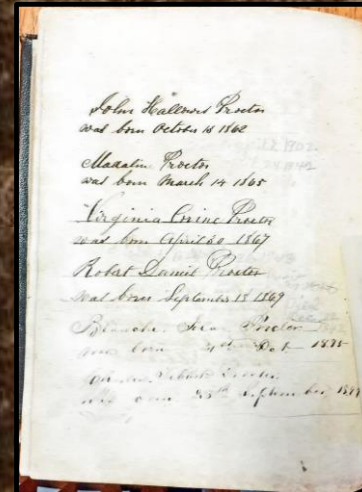
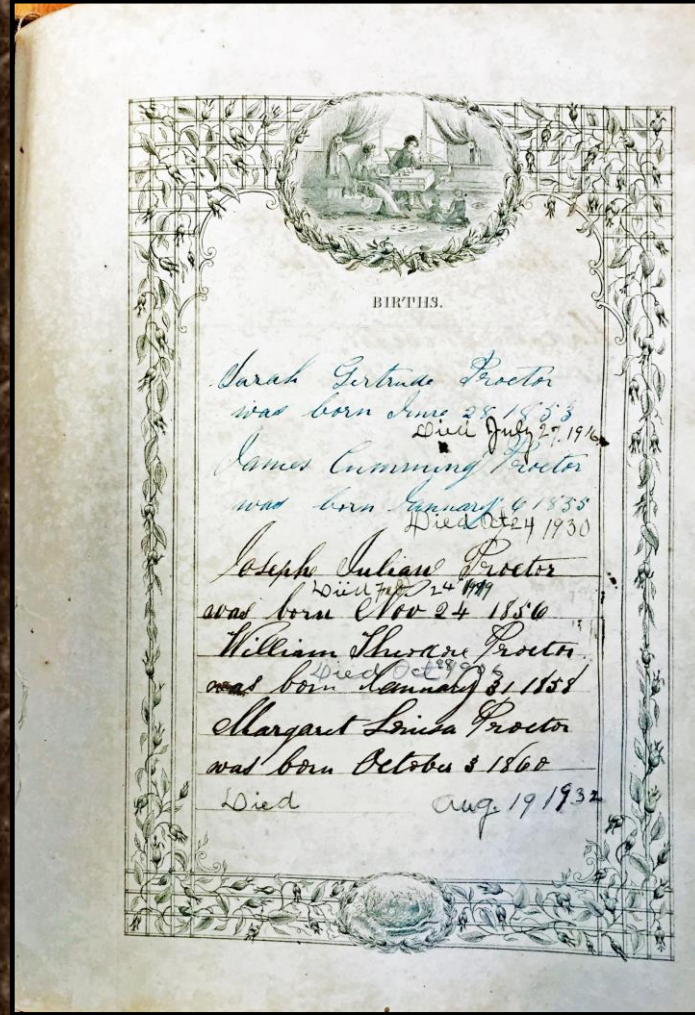
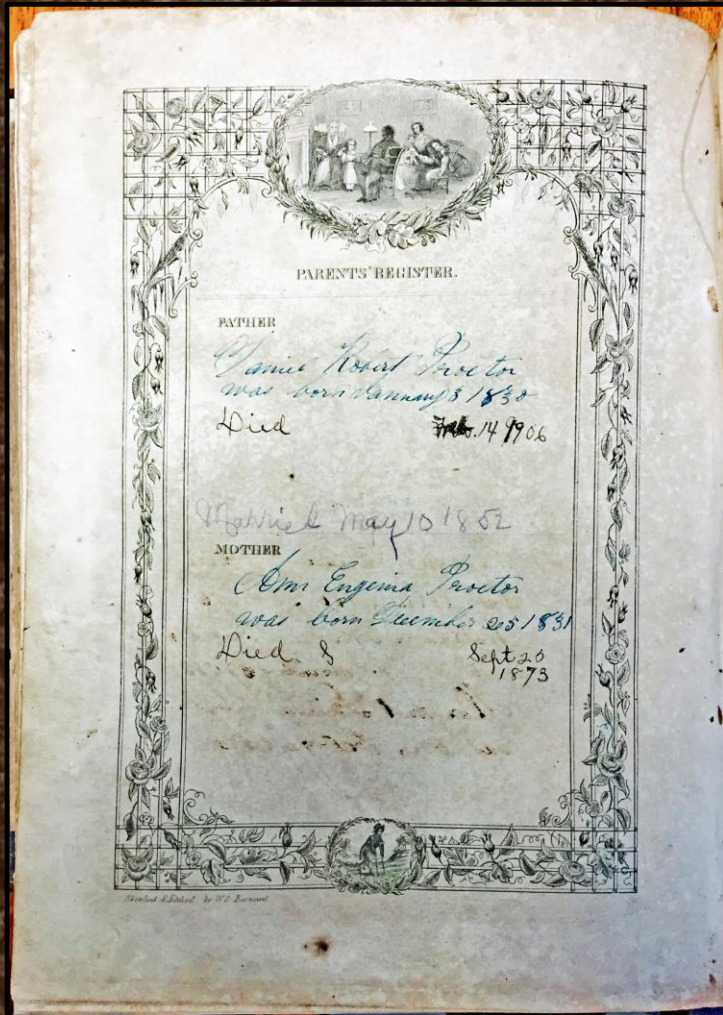
THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

Clifton McKinnon, Lela M. Proctor & Ruby Proctor, 1926

**The Family  
of  
William Theodore “Willie” Proctor**



# Daniel Robert Proctor Family Bible 1853 (father of Willie)



Proctor Family

D. R. PROCTOR FAMILY BIBLE

(in possession of Mrs. J. W. Bailey; title page missing, but dated 1853 and published by Robert Sears, 181 William St., New York.)

PARENT'S REGISTER

FATHER Daniel Robert Proctor was born January 3, 1830  
 died Feb. 14, 1906

Married May 10, 1852

MOTHER Ann Eugenia Proctor was born December 25, 1831  
 died September 25, 1873

BIRTHS Sarah Gertrude Proctor was born June 28, 1853  
 died July 27, 1916  
 (deaths recorded in pencil)

James Cumming Proctor was born January 6, 1855  
 died October 24, 1930

Joseph Julian Proctor was born Nov. 24, 1856  
 died Feb. 24, 1919

William Theodore Proctor was born January 31, 1858  
 died October 28, 1906

Margaret Louisa Proctor was born October 3, 1860  
 died August 19, 1932

John Hallows Proctor was born October 13, 1862  
 died April 7, 1902

Madaline Proctor was born March 14, 1865  
 died April 24, 1942

Virginia Corine Proctor was born April 30, 1867  
 died March 26, 1943

Robert Daniel Proctor was born September 18, 1869  
 died December 22, 1942

Blanche Iola Proctor was born 21st Oct. 1875

Charles Talbot Proctor was born 28th September 1877

Lela Constanza Proctor was born June 3rd 1880

Arizona Estelle Proctor was born May 8th 1884

Neina Proctor was born December 10th 1889  
 died Aug., 1896

Eugene Vernon born November 27th 1894

Fernie Iola born October 6th 1898

In Nov. 2016, I located the family Bible of Daniel Robert Proctor (Willie's father) in possession of St. Marys Historian & 3<sup>rd</sup> cousin Eloise Bailey-Thompson (1928-2017). The Bible had been passed down through 3 generations of the family of Willie's sister Sarah Gertrude Proctor-Mizell.

# Last Will & Testament of William Proctor (July 13, 1859) (grandfather of Willie Proctor)

Last Will and  
Testament of  
William Proctor,  
Camden County,  
Georgia.

**Last Will &  
Testament  
of William  
Proctor 1859**

Proctor, William

Georgia. City of St. Marys. July the 13. 1859.  
In the name of god. Amen.

I William Proctor. of the City of  
St. Marys. and State of Georgia. A forsaide. Being of a sound  
Mind memory and Discretion. Do make Publish. and Ordain.  
this to be my last Will and testament. hereby Revoking and making  
Void all Other Wills. and testaments by me at any time heretofore  
made. and Just. I Direct that all my Just Debts. be paid.  
Secondly. I give and bequeath. unto my lawful Wife.  
Christiana Proctor. a Colored negro girl named Rose yellow Complexion  
I also give her a house and lot. Which I now live in. this property  
to hers for life if at her Death. Should there be any of this property  
for her. Inheritance I Will it Should goe Back to my Children.  
Or their Ineres. to be Divided to Each. I give and Bequeath and  
Devise all my Property and Estate. real and Personal. to my Wife  
Christiana Proctor. and my five Children. Names. William Proctor.  
Daniel Proctor. Theodore Proctor. Margaret Proctor. Isabell Proctor.  
Now my Intention. that their Executors Administrators. and assigns.  
On tenants in Common. to be Divided between them as follows to  
Wife. I give to Isabell Tompkins my Daughter five hundred  
Dollars. more than the Others heirs. the Balance to be Equally  
Divided to all the heirs. if there Should be any of my Wife  
Portion in her possession at her Death. I Will it Should goe Back  
to my Children. or their Ineres. to be Divided to Each. I Leave  
to A. O. Colwin. or his heirs. five Dollars. as he has had his portion  
I Do hereby. make and Constitute. & gelous Barratt. and.

Alonso. Inform. & Executors of this my testament and last  
Will. in Witness Where of. I have here unto Set my hand. and  
Seal. this 13 Day of July in the year of our lord one thousand.  
Eight. hundred. and fifty nine.

In St. Marys. State of Georgia. William Proctor  
Camden County.  
Signed Sealed and.  
Delivered as the testament.  
And last Will By the  
Said. William Proctor.  
In the Presence of us.  
Henry J. Perry  
J. A. Pratt  
Henry J. Bacon Alderman  
of City St Marys Ga



**This is the original  
document which still  
contains its red wax seal.**

# William Proctor Family Bible - 1852 (Located at the Bryan-Lang Historical Archives, Woodbine, GA)

## THE NEW TESTAMENT,

OF OUR  
LORD AND SAVIOUR

## JESUS CHRIST,

TRANSLATED OUT OF THE ORIGINAL GREEK:

AND

WITH THE FORMER TRANSLATIONS DILIGENTLY COMPARED AND REVISED.

PRINTED FOR COLLIER AND CO. BY A. S. & S. BELLING.

BOSTON:

PUBLISHED BY C. EWER, T. BELLINGTON, AND J. H. A. FROST.

1852.

1852

### FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

Catharine Jane Proctor  
was born Oct the 15 1818

Margaret Love Proctor  
was born Oct the 4 1820

Jessica Proctor was  
born April the 22 1824

William Proctor  
was born April the 22 1826

John Richard Proctor  
was born March the 11 1828

Robert Daniel Proctor  
was born January the 3 1830

Louisa Emily Proctor was  
born July the 2 1832

Theodore Columbus Proctor was born  
July the 5 1834

Isabel Augusta Proctor was  
born November the 15 1836

John Augustus Proctor born  
August 11 1839

Catharine Jane Proctor born  
the 15th of July 1841

BIRTHS.

Robert Mickle was born  
Dec the 10 1824

Edward Mickle was  
born May the 18 1828

John Coghlan  
was Born July 18<sup>th</sup> 1845

William Proctor  
was born July 19<sup>th</sup> 1797

Genevieve Sarah Proctor  
June 18<sup>th</sup> 1853

### FAMILY RECORD.

DEATHS.

Jacob Richard Proctor  
died May the 22 1829

Catharine Jane Proctor  
died August the 6 1835

Margaret Lee Proctor  
died July the 10 1842

Catharine Jane Proctor  
died July the 27 1842

John Proctor died  
May 18<sup>th</sup> 1845

Margaret Colvin died  
August 23 1858

Louisa Colvin died  
May 18 1853

Georgina Isabel Colvin died  
September 18 1854

Virginia Julia Colvin died  
January the 7 1855

Josephine Anne was Proctor  
died November 18 54

DEATHS.

Louisa Emily Proctor died  
October the 17 1859

Theodore Columbus Proctor  
died January the 11 1861

William Proctor died  
February 22 1877

Genevieve Sarah Proctor  
died Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> 1890

**Richard Proctor (1771-1813) - (great-grandfather of Willie Proctor)**

*Articles of Agreement*

*between*

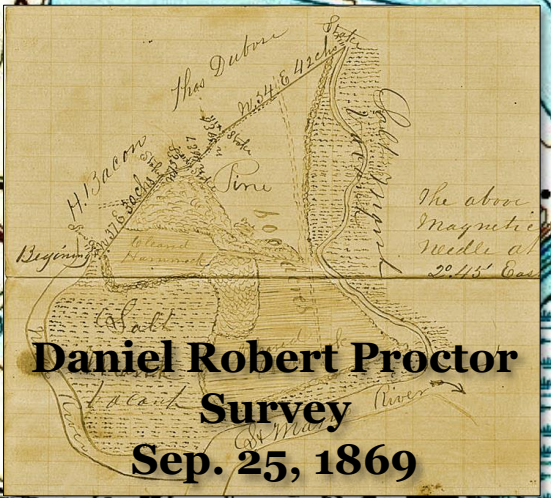
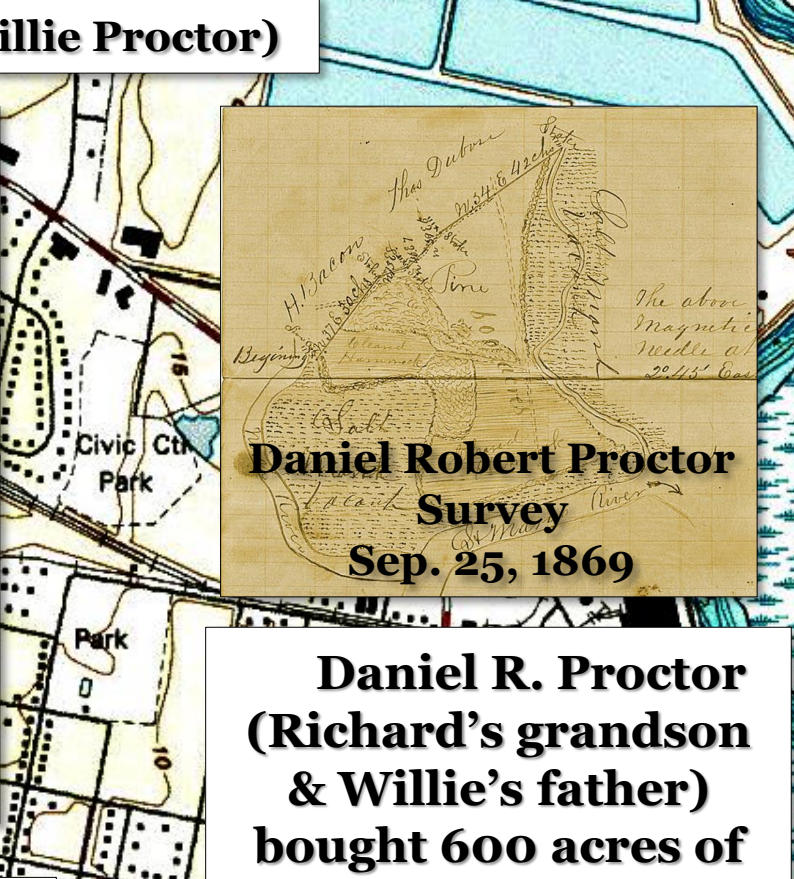
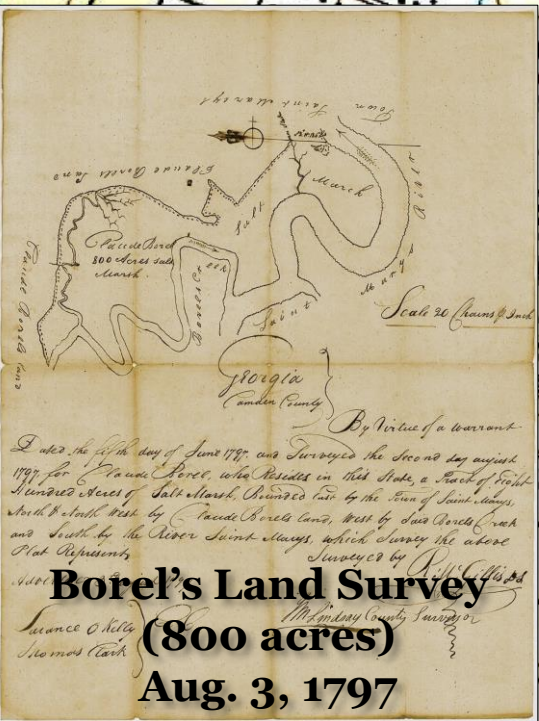
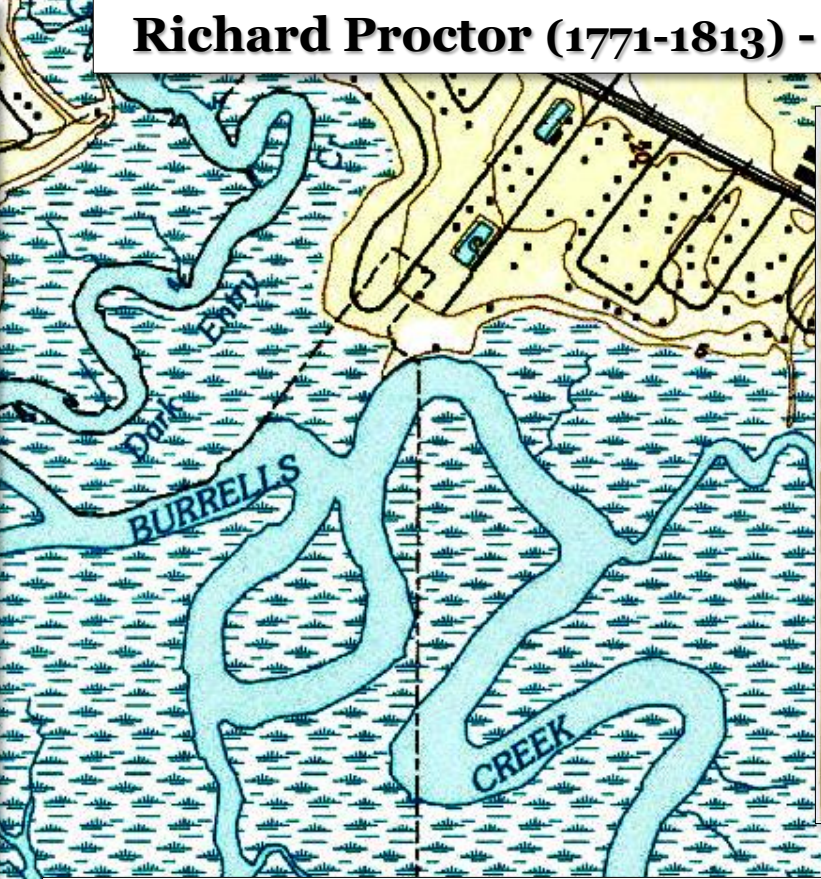
*Claude Borel*

*and*

*Richard Proctor & Robert Cadman*

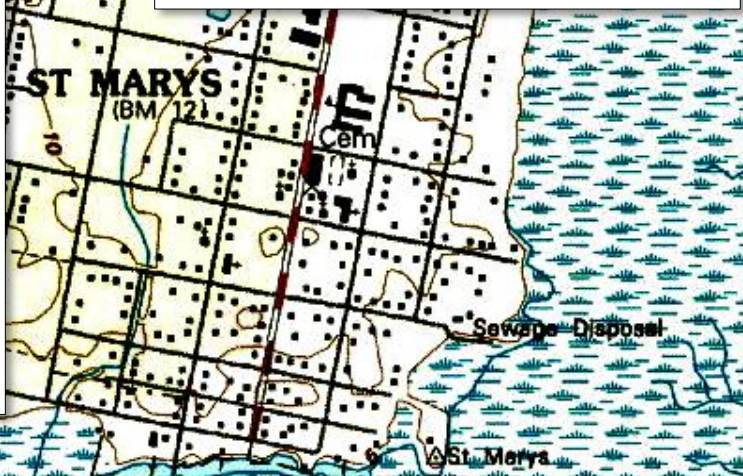
*Jan. 19, 1798*

*...*



**Richard Proctor a millwright of Philadelphia, on January 19, 1798, entered into an agreement to travel to St. Marys, GA to construct a wooden tidal mill powering 8 saws on the property of Claude Borel. As part of the agreement, Borel escorted Proctor with his wife [Margaret] and two children [William & Hester] to St. Marys.**

**Daniel R. Proctor (Richard's grandson & Willie's father) bought 600 acres of this property in 1869.**



# Richard Proctor's Will (Dec. 8, 1813) - (great-grandfather of Willie Proctor)

## Richard Proctor's Will

In the Name of God Amen...  
I Richard Proctor resident for some time in East Florida being of sound mind, and knowing the uncertainty of this life, do make and declare this my testament and last Will, to wit, I give bequeath and devise all my property and Estate real and personal and mixed to my two children William and Hester their heirs Executors, administrators and assigns as tenants in common to be divided between them as follows to wit One third part to the said William and the remaining two thirds to my said daughter Hester and the Woman to whom I was unfortunately married has for a long time been living in open adultery, it is my Will and intention

Richard Proctor is said to be buried in St. Marys' Oak Grove Cemetery, although there is no headstone and the exact location is unknown.



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that she shall have nothing to do with my affairs or with my daughter Hester, who I leave under the direction tuition and Guardianship of my Executor herein after named and I do hereby make and constitute Francis Richard the younger Executor of this my testament and last will, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this eighth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twelve on Cumberland Island state of Georgia -  
signed sealed and declared as the testament and last will by the said Richard Proctor  
In the presence of us,  
William Lishman  
Dan S. Delany

Georgia Hamilton County  
personally appeared before the Court of Ordinary Daniel S. Delany who deposes and says that he saw Richard Proctor sign seal & deliver the within instrument of Writing as his last will & Testament and that the said Richard Proctor at the time of signing and sealing the same was the best of his wits and of sound mind and memory and that he

## Richard Proctor's Will

In the name of God Amen, – I Richard Proctor resident for some time in East Florida ..., I give bequeath ... my two children William and Hester ... As the woman to whom I was unfortunately married has for a long time been living in open adultery, it is my will and intention that she shall have nothing to do with my affairs... I have hereunto set my name in seal this [8 Dec. 1812] on Cumberland Island state of Georgia.  
R. Proctor

**The Family  
of  
Lela Alice Mickler-Proctor**





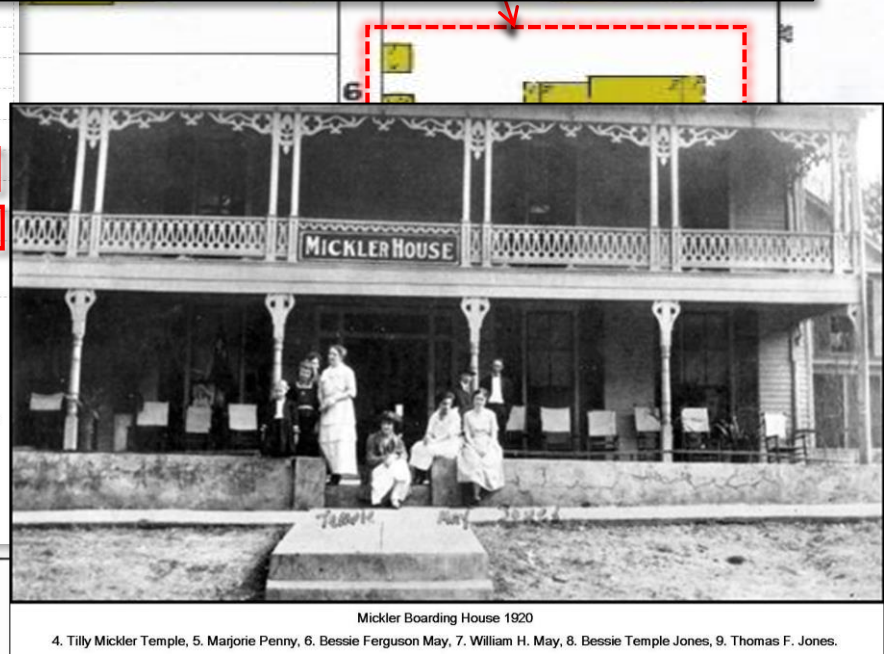
**Mickler's 1<sup>st</sup> Boarding House at 49 N. Monroe St.**

**Lela's siblings Robert & Tillie Mickler opened the 1<sup>st</sup> boarding house about 1902 or 1903 next to the Leon Hotel. In 1906, they moved to the 2<sup>nd</sup> location on Calhoun St. & in 1913 Robert deeded Tillie the property. The Mickler House would remain in business until 1926.**



- 10) Ida Bird Hinely-Dunn
- 11)
- 12)
- 13)
- 14)
- 15) Maggie J. Richards-Mickler
- 16)
- 17) Dr. Charles Merritt Ausley
- 18) Father Joseph L. Hugon (Catholic Priest)

Known residents of the Mickler Boarding House in 1904 but unidentified in this photo: Peter Washington Stubbs, James Elmore McNair, George Stapler Fletcher and Albert Sidney Causseaux Sr.



Mickler Boarding House 1920  
4. Tilly Mickler Temple, 5. Marjorie Penny, 6. Bessie Ferguson May, 7. William H. May, 8. Bessie Temple Jones, 9. Thomas F. Jones.

1903 Sanborn Map

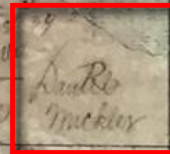
**In this photo taken in 1904, are Robert, Kate & Maggie J. Mickler as well as Dr. Ausley who would later marry Lela's cousin Elizabeth "Bessie" Saxon in 1906.**



# Property of Daniel Mickler & Maria Ann Lowe (paternal grandparents of Lela M. Proctor)

Township No. 3, Range No. 15 E. — Suwannee

Property of Daniel Mickler,  
one-mile northeast of  
Wellborn & the Florida,  
Pensacola & Mobile Railroad.



<i>M</i>	1	Mid. (6 Months.)	1837-8.	Fla.
<i>Daniel Mickler</i>				
Co. Capt. Bailey's Co., 1 Reg't Fla. Mtd. Vols.				
(Florida War.)				
Age ..... years.				
Appears on Co. Muster-out Roll, dated				
<i>Jacksonville, Fla., 1st 8</i>				
Muster-out to date ..... 183 ..				
Last paid to ..... 183 ..				
When enrolled <i>July 23</i> , 1837.*				
Where enrolled <i>Jacksonville</i> *				
Period <i>6</i> months.*				
Mustered in ..... 183 ..*				
Where .....				
Clothing account:				
Last settled ..... 183 ; drawn since \$..... 100				
Due soldier \$..... 100; due U. S. \$..... 100				
Am't for cloth'g in kind or money adv'd \$..... 100				
Due U. S. for arms, equipments, &c., \$..... 100				
Bounty paid \$..... 100; due \$..... 100				
Valuation of horse, \$..... 100				
Valuation of horse equipments, \$..... 100				
Remarks: <i>About Sick</i>				
* * * The only roll on file for this organization.				
Florida War				
Book mark: <i>over</i>				
(a.k.a. 2nd				
Seminole War)				
(861c)				Copyright



# There is One Branch Missing from Our Tree

5th Great-Grandparents x 2

Daniel Jacob Mickler Sr. (1755-1795) & Maria Eve Strum (1749-1827)

4th Great-Grandparents

Peter Mickler III (1775-1839)

Brothers

William Mickler Sr. (1776-1848)

Richard Proctor (1797-1871)

& 5th Great-Uncle

3rd Great-Grandparents

Daniel Mickler (1798-1866)

1st Cousins

Margaret Eve Mickler (1799-1842)

Husband/Wife

William Proctor (1797-1871)

& 1st Cousin 5x removed

2nd Great-Grandparents

Peter Theodore Mickler Sr. (1832-1900)

2nd Cousins

Daniel Robert Proctor (1830-1906)

Great-Grandparents

Lela Mickler-Proctor (1863-1940)

Husband/Wife

William Theodore "Willie" Proctor (1858-1906)

& 3rd Cousins

Grandparents

O. Earl Proctor  
 Florence S. Proctor  
 W. Theo Proctor  
 Louise M. Proctor  
 Ruby M. Proctor  
 Ralph E. Proctor Sr.

**No. of Grandparents**  
 5th Great = 128 (126)  
 4th Great = 64  
 3rd Great = 32  
 2nd Great = 16  
 Great = 8  
 Grand = 4

Parents

Children

**Degrees of Separation**  
 1st Cousin  
 1st Cousin 1x Removed  
 2nd Cousin  
 2nd Cousin 1x Removed  
 3rd Cousin

Grandchildren



Margaret Eve Mickler (1799-1842)

# Peter Mickler III (1775-1839) & Lydia Allen (1774-1840) (parents of Daniel Mickler) (paternal great-grandparents of Lela M. Proctor)

A Return of Peter Mickler's taxable property for the year 1819 to wit 1819  
 one tract of Land in the County of Camden in Parkers Branch containing 100 Acres all land within miles of W.C.  
 one unimproved Lot in the Town of St. Marys being Part of Lot No 24 Value \$350  
 Improvements in St. Marys Value 500  
 One poll & Five Negroes  
 ditto as Guard over for Elizabeth Mickler  
 Part of Lot No 24 in the Town of St. Marys Value \$150  
 ditto as Trustee for Lloyd  
 Part of Lot No 24 in the Town of St. Marys Value \$100  
 Given to before me this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May 1819  
 Peter Mickler  
 Wm. G. G. Esq.  
 1819 Camden Co. Tax Return

(1798.)  
 M. Capt. Randolph's Troop of Dragoons. G.N. Militia.  
**Peter Michael**  
 Appears with the rank of Pat on a Pay Roll  
 of a troop of militia dragoons commanded by Capt. John F. Randolph, of the State of Georgia, Camden County, in the service of the United States, from March 13, 1793, to Dec 31, 1793, inclusively.  
 Roll dated Not dated, 179 .  
 Commencement of service or of this settlement, Mar 13, 1793.  
 Expiration of service or of this settlement, Oct 1, 1793.  
 Time of service charged 203 months, 203 days.  
 Pay 75 cts per day  
 Amount of pay 152 dollars, 25 cents.  
 Remarks: fit in fully  
**Indian Wars**  
**Mar. 13 - Dec. 31, 1793**  
 C. N. Beach  
 (572) Copyist

**DIED.**  
 In St. Mary's, Ga. Mr. PETER MICKLER, father of Capt. Robert Mickler of this city.  
**St. Augustine Gazette, Nov. 1839**

pg. 165 Peter Mickler is accepted as security on one thousand dollar bond of Winifred Hubbard as administrator of the estate of Benjamin Honiker. (Nov. 6, 1815)  
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STATE CAPITAL  
 DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
 BEN W. FORTSON, JR.  
 SECRETARY OF STATE  
 ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA  
 Copy

From Minutes of the Court of Ordinary Camden County — 1802-1822

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Upon the application of Isaac Mickler, minor, for a guardian to be appointed for him. It is ordered that David G. Jones, Esqr. be and he is hereby appointed Guardian of the said Jacob Mickler. (Feb. 5, 1816)  
 pg. 187 David G. Jones produced the will of Jacob Mickler, which was proved and ordered to be recorded, and the said David G. Jones, one of the Executors named in the said will, was qualified agreeable to law. It is ordered that Letters Testamentary do issue. (Sept. 2, 1816)  
 pg. 220 William Gibson produced his account with William Mickler, Junr. his ward one hundred and thirty five dollars and nearly one cent which was passed and ordered to be recorded. (June 5, 1819)

Georgia Archives & History  
 August 12, 1953

Account of Peter Mickler deceased in account current with John Hubbard and 1842  
 1840  
 April 1<sup>st</sup> Paid B. Bonister bill \$11  
 Dec 1<sup>st</sup> Paid B. Bonister bill \$12  
 1841  
 Jan 1<sup>st</sup> Paid B. Bonister bill \$11  
 Feb 1<sup>st</sup> Paid B. Bonister bill \$12  
 Mar 1<sup>st</sup> Paid B. Bonister bill \$13  
 Apr 1<sup>st</sup> Paid B. Bonister bill \$14  
 May 1<sup>st</sup> Paid B. Bonister bill \$15  
 Jun 1<sup>st</sup> Paid B. Bonister bill \$16  
 Jul 1<sup>st</sup> Paid B. Bonister bill \$17  
 Aug 1<sup>st</sup> Paid B. Bonister bill \$18  
 Sep 1<sup>st</sup> Paid B. Bonister bill \$19  
 Oct 1<sup>st</sup> Paid B. Bonister bill \$20  
 Nov 1<sup>st</sup> Paid B. Bonister bill \$21  
 Dec 1<sup>st</sup> Paid B. Bonister bill \$22  
 Commission on \$222.142 Paid out 575  
 Commission on \$251.57 Paid out 675  
 Balance on hand 391 575  
 Given to before me this 4<sup>th</sup> day of Jan'y 1841 G. P. White Esq. John Hubbard

**Estate of Peter Mickler Deceased**

1842  
 By Polyzos of Laws  
 Wm. Charles & S. P. Bishop Esqs.  
 Peter Mickler III Estate Record 1840-1842

Camden County  
 Survey by Parker Hopkins & Son  
 July 3<sup>rd</sup> 1792  
 Copies and attested by  
 James Parker S. & Co.  
 The Four Lots are 100 feet in front and 435 deep

U.S. RIVER  
 No 2134

**Daniel Jacob Mickler (1755-1795) & Maria Eva Strum (1749-1827)**

**(2nd great-grandparents of Willie & Lela) (Doug's 5<sup>th</sup> great-grandfather)**

# CAMDEN COUNTY GEORGIA

## LAND COURT

1787-1789

Beginning in 1783 a man living in Georgia could be granted 200 acres of land on his own headright and 50 acres for each additional family member. To acquire a land grant, an applicant would appear before the land court in the county in which he desired land to obtain a warrant of survey. The county surveyor then surveyed the land, made a plat of survey, and forwarded a copy of the plat to the Surveyor General to be recorded. The applicant then applied to the Governor's office for the grant after he paid all office fees. The grant was then issued and recorded.

*A Land Court begun and holden at Point Peter, in and for the County of Camden - Before His Honorble Tho: Norris, Tho: Stafford and Henry Strobel Esquires and Langley, Boyant and Alexander Young Esquires - The 6<sup>th</sup> Day of April 1789*

*N<sup>o</sup> 1. 250 Acres Ordered that Thomas Stafford Esq<sup>r</sup> have Head Rights for himself and one Negro man - Two Hundred & Fifty Acres*

*2. 300 2. 300 , That Daniel Mickler have head rights for himself and two Sons - Three Hundred Acres*

*3. 250 , That Robert Stafford have head rights for himself and one Negro man - Two Hundred Acres -*

*4. 50 , That Jeremiah Tate - have Head Rights for his son Edward - to issue in the name of John Crawford - Fifty Acres*

*5. 200 , That John Carter - have his personal Head Rights Two Hundred Acres -*

*6. 450 , That Frederick Hughes - have Head Rights for himself Wife and four Children - Four Hundred & Fifty Acres*

April 6, 1789

**OFFICE OF CLERK OF  
THE SUPERIOR COURT, C. C.**

**Daniel Jacob Mickler Land Grant (Warrant dated May 2, 1794)**



Daniel Mickler  
 200 Acres  
 Flat  
 Adjacent to the  
 St. Mary's River  
 1793  
 Tract No. 130  
 Certified by  
 A. M. Jackson  
 S. M. Middle  
 Chain Beasts

Daniel Mickler  
 200 Acres  
 Marsh  
 Located on  
 St. Mary's River  
 Surveyed  
 Recorded in Books  
 1794  
 No. 130

Stakes  
 Abm. Jackson  
 Samuel Middle  
 Chain Beasts  
 Georgia  
 Camden County  
 Surveyed for  
 Containing  
 at a Stake on  
 the above place  
 Stakes  
 200  
 Ma  
 316

the 2<sup>d</sup> Day of May 1794  
 and a Tract of Land  
 on St. Mary's River Beginning  
 at the which is represented by  
 of September 1793 By  
 Abm. Jackson & S. M. Middle

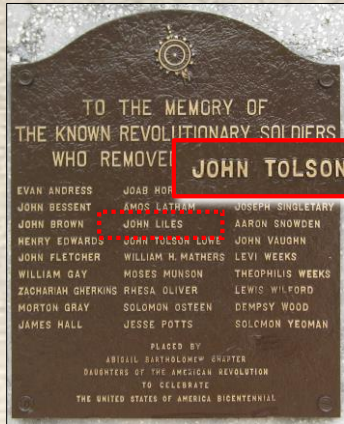
**Georgia State Archives, Morrow, GA**

**John Tolson Lowe (1754-1824) & Susannah Riddle (1768-1854)**  
**(parents of Maria Ann Lowe) & (maternal great-grandparents of Lela M. Proctor)**  
(ref. Doug's 4<sup>th</sup> great-grandfather)



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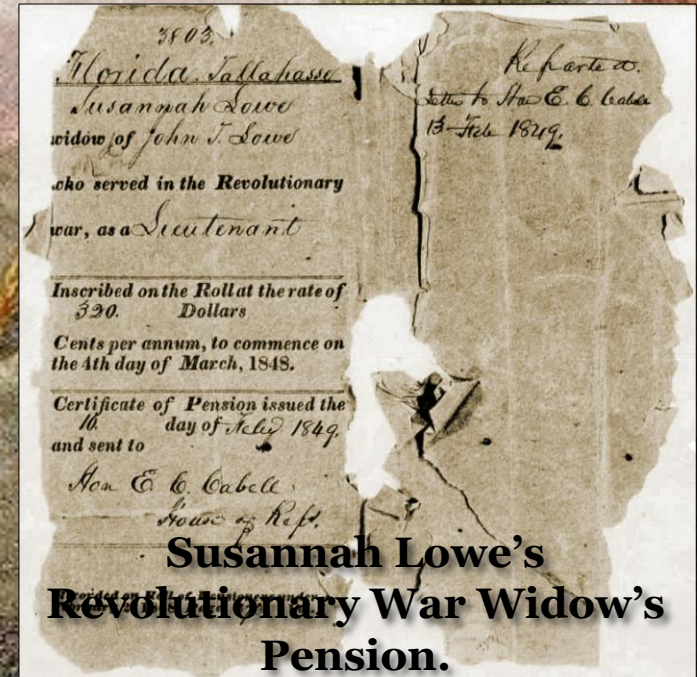
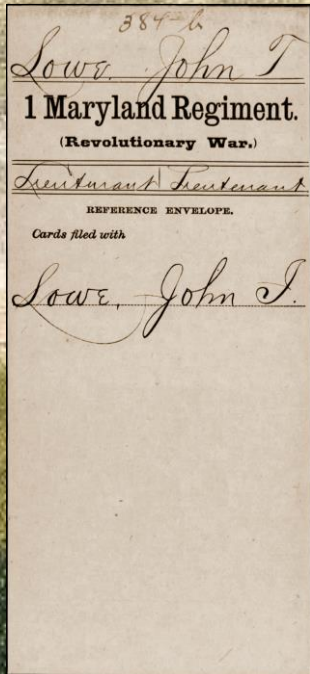


**JOHN TOLSON LOWE**

**John Tolson Lowe served in the 1st Maryland Regiment during the Revolutionary War having fought at the Battles of Long Island & White Plains, N.Y.**

**He located from Maryland to Edgefield, S.C. then to Spanish East Florida in 1800.**

Plaque at Daytona Beach



Lord Stirling with his 1st Maryland Regiment, at the Battle of Long Island on August 27, 1776

# John Tolson Lowe in Spanish East Florida

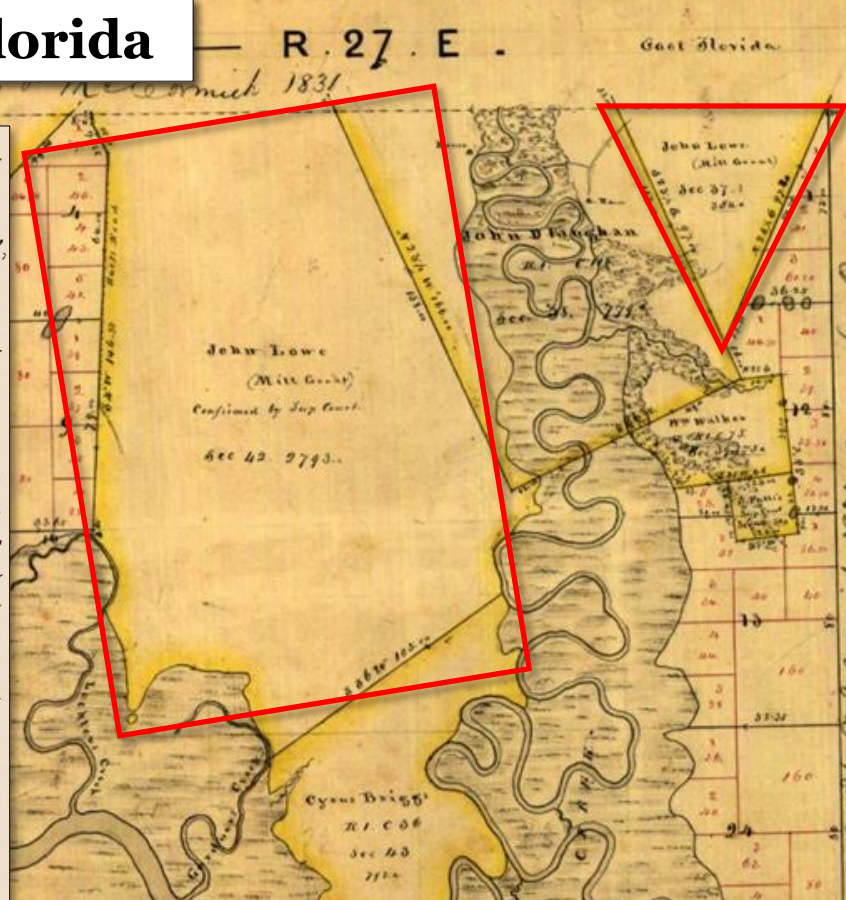
John T. Lowe's 1803 Spanish Oath of Allegiance written in Old Spanish, states he had resided in Spanish East Florida since 1800.

John T. Lowe received a total of 16,000 acres in Spanish Land (Mill) Grants the 1<sup>st</sup> containing 750 acres on Bell's River west of Fernandina in 1812.

*Conste yo yo de mi voluntad y de la de mi  
D. Juan Tolson Lowe natural de las  
Indias, comparezco Juan Lowe natural de las  
Indias, y de Religión protestante, bajo la qual,  
y en toda forma de Dios, se le hacen juramentos  
por parte de España, y con asistencia del Sr.  
D. Juan Tolson Secretario de Indias, en un  
en cuyo prometo guardar fidelidad y vasallaje  
a mis Señores, tomar los arcos en defensa de  
la Corona contra qualquiera enemigo que  
quiere hostilizarla, y respetar su honra.  
El Pape. Luis Juan Comandante de la Marina de  
esta Real Audiencia, y de las Indias, por  
su parte, y tres Comandantes de Indias, y por  
parte de las Indias, y de las Indias, y de las Indias,  
en mi voluntad, y de mi voluntad, y de mi voluntad,  
y firmo con su señal, y el Secretario de Indias,  
Juan Tolson*

L. 1161  
Año de 1811.  
D. Juan Lowe  
schismatico de la espasa título  
en propiedad absoluta del  
Plantaje titulado Balls de  
fido, conteniendo setecientos  
cinquenta Acas de tierra.

Maria Lowe-Mickler's brother Fernando & sister Isabel were both baptized at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Augustine in 1806.

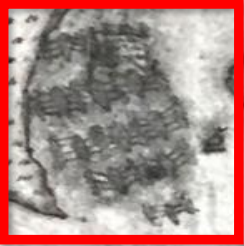


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Sabado de San Juan de los Rios de Indias, yo yo de mi voluntad y de la de mi  
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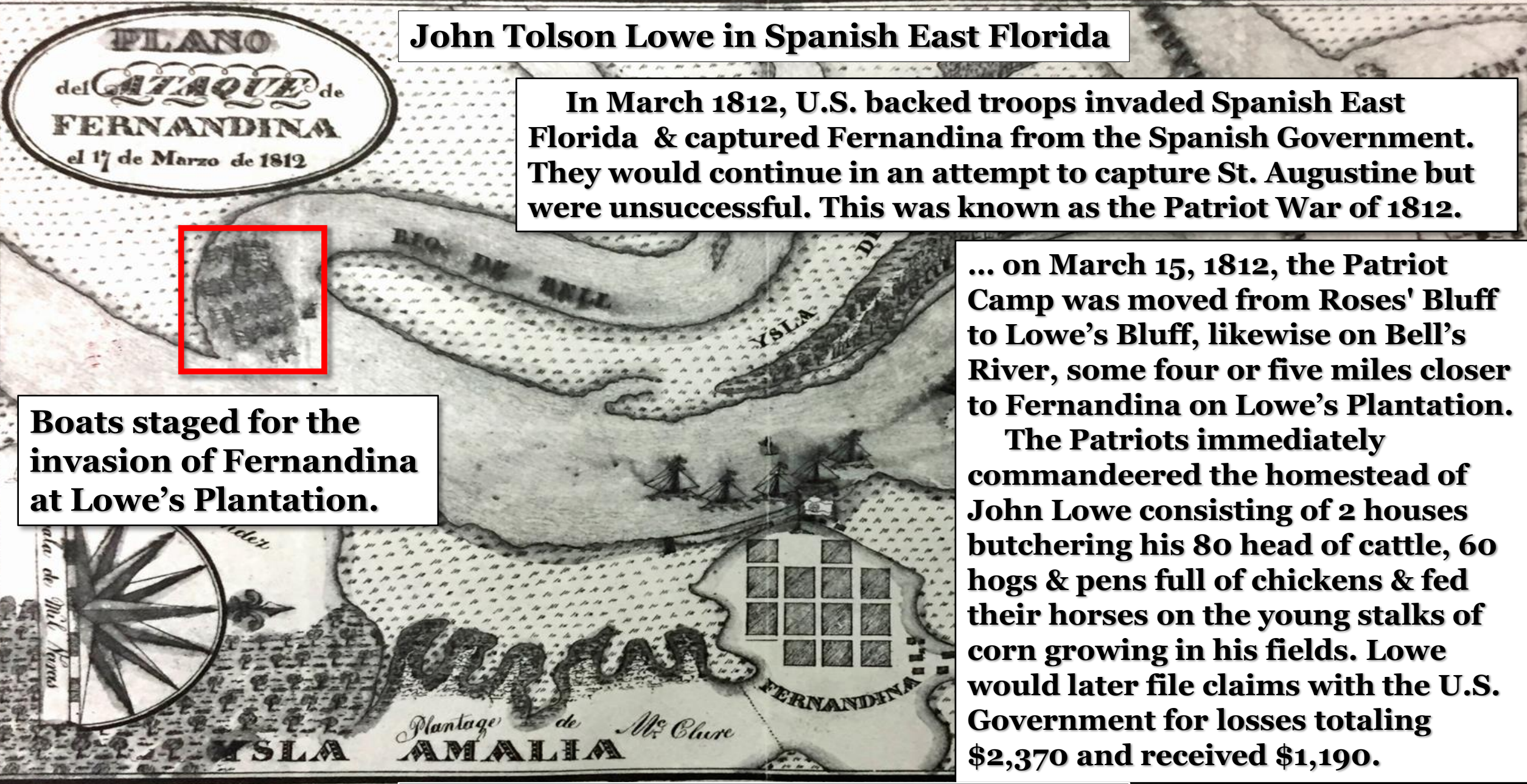
# John Tolson Lowe in Spanish East Florida

In March 1812, U.S. backed troops invaded Spanish East Florida & captured Fernandina from the Spanish Government. They would continue in an attempt to capture St. Augustine but were unsuccessful. This was known as the Patriot War of 1812.



Boats staged for the invasion of Fernandina at Lowe's Plantation.

... on March 15, 1812, the Patriot Camp was moved from Roses' Bluff to Lowe's Bluff, likewise on Bell's River, some four or five miles closer to Fernandina on Lowe's Plantation. The Patriots immediately commandeered the homestead of John Lowe consisting of 2 houses butchering his 80 head of cattle, 60 hogs & pens full of chickens & fed their horses on the young stalks of corn growing in his fields. Lowe would later file claims with the U.S. Government for losses totaling \$2,370 and received \$1,190.



1.....5 Lanchas Cañoneras de las Estadas Unidas  
2.....La Comandante con el Comandante Campbell  
3.....Nueve Lanchas y dos botes, con  
Map of the Patriot War of 1812 (rare map collections @ University of Florida)

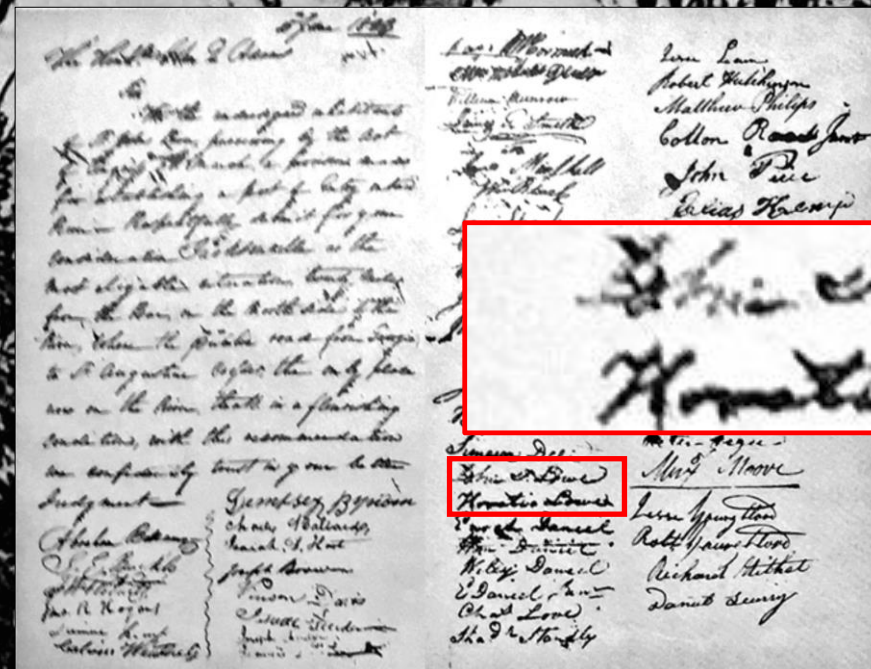
# A place called Cow Ford, on the St. John's River

## The Founding of Jacksonville, Florida

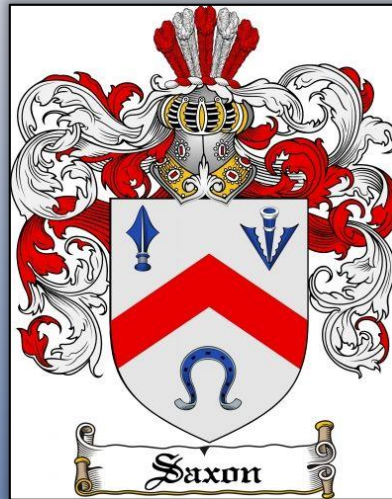


A Petition was sent to Secretary of State John Quincy Adams by inhabitants of St. Johns River for establishing a port of entry at Jacksonville.

This is the earliest known document mentioning Jacksonville & is used as the founding date of June 15, 1822, & was signed by John Tolson Lowe & his son Horatio Lowe.

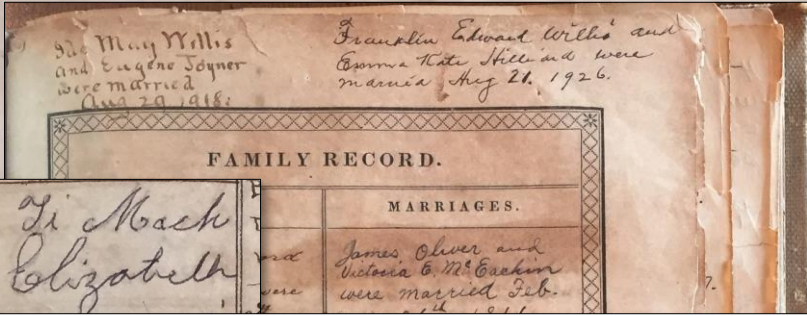


**The Family of Elizabeth Saxon - Mickler**  
**(Siblings & Ancestors)**  
**(mother of Lela M. Proctor)**

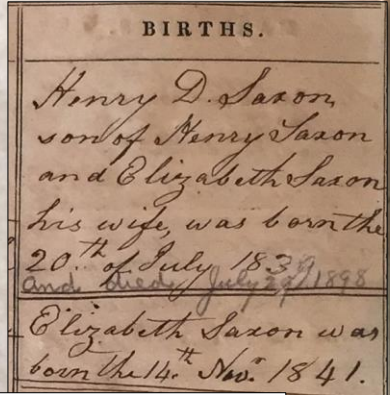


**1856 Saxon, Oliver & Willis Family Bible - (maternal grandparents of Lela M. Proctor)**

OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS:



**The Family Bible is now in possession of Eliza Jane's 2<sup>nd</sup> great-granddaughter in Jacksonville, FL.**



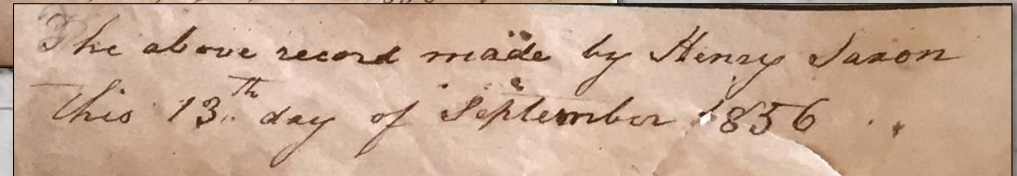
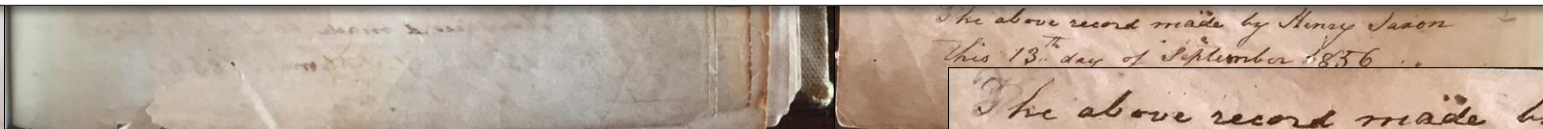
**Seven weeks before his death, Rev. Henry Saxon began recording entries in this bible on Sep. 13, 1856.**

**His entries included the names of his 6 children with his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Elizabeth as well as the names of her 5 children from her 1<sup>st</sup> husband James A. Oliver.**

**After his death on Nov. 2, 1856, it is assumed additional entries were made by Elizabeth until a few years before her death in 1890, as she had gone blind.**

**After Elizabeth's death, the Bible was held by Henry & Elizabeth's youngest daughter Eliza Jane Saxon-Willis.**

**The bible has remained in the Willis family since that time with additional entries added by numerous Willis family members for 4 generations.**



**Elizabeth B. Hale-Oliver-Saxon (1807-1890)**  
**(maternal grandmother of Lela M. Proctor)**



**Elizabeth B. Hale-Saxon**

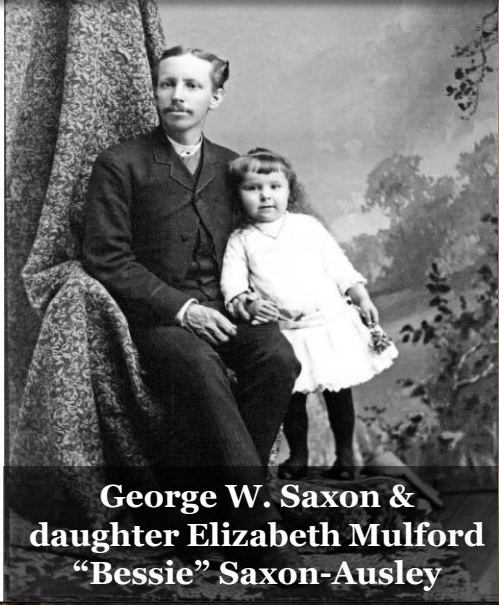


*Elizabeth B. Hale-Saxon, ca. 1886  
Actual size 2.5" x 4.12"  
Alvan S. Harper Print  
from the Collection of Doug Smith*

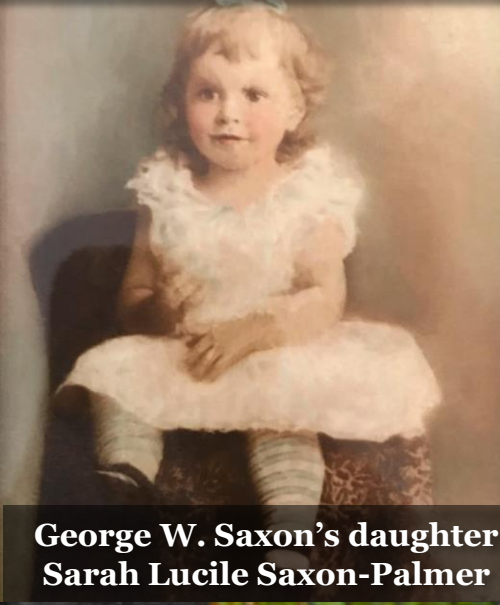
**All 3 of these photos taken by Alvan S. Harper & are believed to be taken on the same day in 1886.**



**Elizabeth B. Hale-Saxon**



**George W. Saxon & daughter Elizabeth Mulford "Bessie" Saxon-Ausley**



**George W. Saxon's daughter Sarah Lucile Saxon-Palmer**





**In the Spring of 2020, two NEW books about our Family will be coming out.  
(Both Tentative Titles)**

**Capital City Bank will be celebrating its 125 Anniversary with the release of:**

***Making It  
Stories from 125 Years of Capital City Bank***

**By Julie Strauss Bettinger**

***For the Public Good***

***The Story of Tallahassee's George Washington Saxon***

**By J. Doug Smith**

**The End**