

12, 1924; married Edna Nicholson, daughter of Daniel Webster Nicholson and Carrie Brown. Two children: D. Ephie Ponder of Opelika, Ala., and Carrie Frances (Mrs. Byron Colson.)

3. Linn Ponder, born Jan. 3, 1881, died Oct. 17, 1942, unmarried.

4. Thomas Ephriam Ponder, b. Sept. 16, 1882, d. Oct. 6, 1888.

5. Corrie Lee Ponder, born July 31, 1891, married Robert L. Gillen, attorney who represented Stewart County in the Georgia Legislature several years. Three children: Frances, Robert (deceased) and Sarah Pat.

III. Susan, fifth child of Richard and Sarah Farmer Ponder, married first Banks, second Peak. Among their children were: William W. Banks, Joe Peak and Bob Peak of Dawson, Ga.

IV. Sarah Jane married 1. Wheeler. 2. Jordan T. Jackson.

THE NATHANIEL PROTHRO FAMILY



Nathaniel Prothro

Nathaniel Prothro, born in Orangeburg, S. C., July 11, 1811, died March 18, 1866 in Richland, Ga., and his wife Emmeline Canady, born at Charleston, S. C., Sept. 19, 1816, died Sept. 1879, came to Stewart County in 1839-40. Both are buried in Cedarwood Cemetery, Richland.

Nathaniel Prothro was a son of Nathaniel Prothro, Sr., and Zephia Morgan Prothro, of Elbert County, Ga. His wife was a daughter of Henry Canady and Martha Hannahan Canady of Charleston, S. C. Henry Canady came to Richland about 1840 with another daughter, Mrs. Mary C. Walker, who later married R. J. Snelling. He is buried in an unmarked grave in Cedarwood Cemetery, Richland.

The Prothros were of Welch extraction. A Coat of Arms was granted this family. Their ancestors lived at Nabeth, Wales. They date their American ancestry back to the 15th century, and are descended from Evan Prothro who settled in Pennsylvania in 1683, from whence they migrated to the Carolinas. He settled at Chewaw, S. C., and while a citizen of that place, helped to found and build St. David's Episcopal Church which still stands as a memorial to these Colonial settlers. Some of their descendants moved to North Georgia.

Evan Prothro married Elizabeth Morgan, a member of a pioneer family who came to America at the same time that the Prothros did.

The Canadys were of English descent and were also settlers of America in pioneer times.

Nathaniel Prothro and wife were among the early settlers of the eastern part of Stewart County, and owned much of the land upon which the town of Richland is built. The old Prothro home

started about 1851 and completed after the Civil War, still stands near Richland, and is owned and occupied by some of the descendants. Children of this couple: 1. Henry Nathaniel Prothro born at Aiken, S. C., Dec. 25, 1837, died Oct. 30, 1845.

2. Miriam Elizabeth, born Oct. 16, 1839, in Aiken, S. C., died Dec. 1867. Married John Rufus King of Cusseta and moved to Webster County.

3. Martha Zephia, born Stewart County, Sept. 9, 1841. Died Oct. 18, 1844.

4. Evan James Prothro who served in the Civil War in the 10th Ga. Reg., was born Sept. 9, 1843. Died Aug. 11, 1909. He did not marry. He was a prosperous, energetic citizen, and at his death was among the wealthiest citizens of the county.

5. Mary Harriet Prothro, born June 7, 1846. Died April 15, 1893, married Thomas Clements of Richland. (See Clements sketch). Two sons, Jake and Maurice, and one daughter, Lilla (Mrs. A. P. Majors), of Sylvester, Ga.

6. Frances Emmaline Prothro, born April 13, 1848, died Nov. 10, 1941, aged ninety-three years. She married David Ephriam Ponder Dec. 7, 1873. He was born June 2, 1833. Children: (1) Evan Nathaniel Ponder (2) Alexander Hamilton Ponder who married Edna Nicholson, (3) Linn, (4) Thomas Ephriam Ponder, (5) Corrie Lee Ponder who married Robert L. Gillen. (See Ponder sketch).

7. Clara Josephine Prothro, the seventh child, was born Dec. 3, 1849, died Aug. 18, 1924. She married Daniel R. Shepherd of Richland. No children.

8. Franklin Pierce Prothro born May 1, 1852. Died Sept. 19, 1853.

9. Alexander Hamilton Prothro born Sept. 28, 1855. Died May 30, 1926. On Nov. 4, 1880 in Augusta, Ga., he married Laura E. Myers, born Sept. 5, 1855, died Jan. 16, 1824. Children: (1) Mary Emma Maude (deceased). (2) Alston U., unmarried. (3) Trezevant, married Bobbie King; one daughter Mary who married John T. Hamilton of Alabama. (4) Willie married Thomas Lunsford of Richland. One child, Clifford Alexander Prothro, who married Elva Mills of Edison, Ga. and has one daughter, Marie.

10. Susie Jane Prothro, the tenth child, married Samuel Chappell of Richland.

The Prothros have been citizens of Stewart County for four generations. Their interests were largely agricultural and commercial.

THE WILLIAM A. RAWSON FAMILY

William Allen Rawson was born in Craftsbury, Vermont in 1814 and came South with his brother, Edward Rawson, in the early 1830's, and settled in Lumpkin, Ga. When he was established he returned to Vermont where he married Julia Root, who was