

stands higher in the regard of neighbors.

L. M. WESTBROOK, an enterprising and successful merchant of Fairburn, Campbell Co., is a son of W. R. and Frances M. (Black) Westbrook, and was born in the county Feb. 1, 1859. He was given a common school education, and remained at home till he was of legal age, when in company with Mr. W. F. Lester and a brother, J. M. Westbrook, he began his business career at Fairburn. The firm of Westbrook, Lester & Co. changed to Westbrook & Co. after the first year, under which title it did business until 1887, when Mr. Westbrook bought the interest of his partner, and has since conducted the store alone. He carries a general stock of some \$3,500, his yearly business amounting to about \$10,000. Mr. Westbrook is a man of sterling business ability, and as such has been called upon to serve his town in the council hall quite frequently, having been a member of that body from 1888 to 1892. He was again elected in 1894, and is now a member of that body. He was happily married in the county Feb. 20, 1883, to Miss Annie, daughter of B. A. and Elizabeth Camp, a fine old family of Campbell county, and has four interesting children, Clifford E., Effie, Kate, and Joseph A. The family of which Mr. Westbrook is a member is of English descent, found in Virginia in early colonial days. They came subsequently to North Carolina, and in 1826 Moses, the grandfather of L. M., who had married Edna Gainey, brought his family to Fayette county, Ga., where both parents died in 1834 during an epidemic of bilious fever, which also carried away three other members of the family. W. R. Westbrook now lives near Fairburn, and has followed planting all his life. He is a veteran of the Indian war of 1836, and during the last war served under Gov. Joseph E. Brown. He has been a member of the Methodist church for over fifty years, and enjoys the respect of a large circle of friends in his old age. Mr. Westbrook and Frances M. Black were married Feb. 10, 1847, and are the parents of the following children: Aream, Mrs. James W. Edmonds, Titus county, Tex.; Edna, Mrs. Young H. Thornton, Campbell county, Ga.; Susan A., Mrs. H. H. Wood, Forsyth county; James M., deceased; Sarah F., Mrs. J. D. Smith, Campbell county; Samuel C., in Texas; Lycurgus M., merchant, Fairburn; Wm. J. W., Sipe Springs, Tex.; Cora J., Mrs. D. A. Carmichael, Campbell county; and Mary E., unmarried.