

death in 1878. His wife, daughter of Thomas and Leah (Bromer) Rice, was born in South Carolina in 1832, and when a mere child came to Georgia with her parents. She was married in 1847 and is still living. Dr. Whitley was raised on the farm and educated mostly at Chapel Hill. After leaving school he read medicine and when nineteen years of age he entered the medical college at Louisville, Ky., and attended lectures one term, and subsequently attended the Atlanta Medical college three terms, from which he graduated in 1876. He immediately located at Douglasville, and while he has engaged in the general practice of his profession, he has paid particular attention to surgery. He has been very successful, established an excellent reputation, and a richly paying medical patronage. He has always interested himself in educational matters and was the moving spirit in the establishment of the Douglasville college, an institution second to none in the smaller cities of the state, and has been a member of the board of trustees since its inception. Dr. Whitley has been since his majority one of the leaders of political thought and action of his section and has been honored many times by the community in which he lives with positions of honor and trust, and is at present state senator from the thirty-sixth senatorial district, which is composed of the counties of Coweta, Meriwether, Campbell and Douglas. He is a member of some of the most important committees of the senate and recognized as a strong and influential factor in that body. Dr. Whitley was married in 1876 to Miss Mary F., daughter of Henry C. and Raymouth (Rice) Holcombe, who has borne him the following children: Helen Edna, Hattie R., Mary F., Grady and Raymouth. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. and himself and wife are prominent members of the Baptist church.

ECHOLS COUNTY.

J. FRANK HALL, physician and surgeon, Statenville, Echols Co., Ga., was born in Montgomery county, Ga., May 4, 1838. He was educated at Randolph high school, and then studied medicine under Dr. Paul F. Eve, Nashville, Tenn., and graduated from the college there in 1860. Soon afterward he entered the Confederate service and was appointed assistant surgeon of Bartow hospital, Savannah, Ga. After a year's service there he enlisted in the Fourth Georgia cavalry and was elected a first lieutenant. He saw much active service and was wounded in an engagement in Burke county, Ga., while with his command he was operating on the flank of the Union forces when marching through Georgia. At the close of the war he located in Tattnall county and engaged in the practice of his profession, did a very large practice, and was remarkably successful. In 1872 he removed to Statenville, Echols Co., Ga., where his acknowledged skill, sympathetic attention, and conscientious discharge of his professional duties have secured for him an extensive and lucrative practice. No medical practitioner in what is known as the wire grass country of Georgia stands higher with the people and the profession than Dr. Hall, and no one is more justly entitled to the confidence and good will accorded him. He has acquired a comfortable fortune, and his land holdings in Echols county amount to 8,000 acres. In 1876-77 he was president of the board of county commissioners, and in 1880 he was elected to represent the county in the general assembly. In that body he was

placed on the committees on penitentiary, sanitary and hygiene, and the state of the republic, on all of which he rendered effective and valuable service. Dr. Hall was married in 1860 to Miss Lurana, daughter of Solomon Mobley of Appling county, who died in 1886, leaving ten children, of whom seven are living, and five of whom are located as follows: John F., born in November, 1863, educated at Bradwell institute, Liberty county, Ga., read medicine under his father, graduated at the Atlanta Medical college, and is located at Lake Park, Ga., where he enjoys a good practice; Mary R., married D. S. Parton, mill-man, farmer and merchant, Seward, Montgomery Co., Ga.; Flora C., married H. J. Gibbs, sawmill man and farmer, Montgomery county; Eliza B., married Robert J. Parton, planter, Tattnall county; Georgia, married Dr. George T. Gray, Tattnall county. Dr. Hall married for his second wife Miss Mary C., daughter of W. W. Connor, by whom he has had one child. He is a member of the masonic fraternity.

EARLY COUNTY.

BRINKLEY CHANCEY, retired merchant, Blakely, Early Co., Ga., son of Solomon Chancey, was born in Jones county, Ga., May 29, 1820. His father was a farmer and died in 1861. Mr. Chancey was educated in the common schools of the county and was reared on the farm, but later in life engaged in merchandising. During the war he was a member and sergeant of Company C, Twenty-ninth battalion, Georgia artillery. He moved to Blakely in 1861, where he conducted a general merchandise store until 1886, when he retired. He was tax collector of Early county in 1862-63-64, and assessor two years. He was elected to represent the county in the general assembly in 1872 and has served in this capacity four terms, the last ending in 1886. He was also a member of the constitutional convention in 1877. Being honored by election to such responsible positions shows an appreciation of his capacity and integrity. Mr. Chancey was married Jan. 12, 1851, to Miss Narcissus, daughter of R. W. Sheffield, who once represented Early county in the general assembly. They have had five children: B. E., born in 1853; Quitman, born in 1855; James B., born in 1857, county ordinary; John C., born in 1859, marshal of Blakely; and Hattie D., widow of John W. Deal. Mr. Chancey is an uncompromising democrat and a master Mason.

JAMES BUCHANAN CHANCEY, ordinary of Early county, Blakely, Ga., son of Brinkley and Narcissus (Sheffield) Chancey, was born in Early county, July 24, 1837. Mr. Chancey's father was not only a successful merchant in Blakely, but filled many important offices in the county, and represented it a number of years in the general assembly. Mr. Chancey received a fair common-school education, and when he reached manhood engaged in farming, which he still continues. He has held the office of justice of the peace six years. In 1893 he was elected ordinary of the county, an office which he still holds. Mr. Chancey was married in 1877 to Miss Elizabeth Minter, of Early county, by whom he has had three children: Alpheus Baker, born in February, 1878; Lawton Eugene, born in 1886, and Hattie May.