

FAMILY RECORD.

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and wife of Thos.  
W. Golding died in  
Athens Ga Nov 4-1875

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died in Athene Ga  
July 28<sup>th</sup> 1877

Martha daughter  
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Strong and wife  
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## OBITUARY.

The river of life.

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CHAPTER XXII.

1 Then I saw a new temple & was recapitulated to me, & said this is the true temple of God; & the Lamb did appear before me, having in his right hand seven stars, and in his left hand seven golden candlesticks, and had seven horns upon his head. & he spake like unto a rushing stream of water.

2 And he shewed me a pure river, & the tree of life, clear as crystal, & yielding twelve manner of fruits, & yielding her fruit every month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

3 And there shall be no more curse; but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:

4 And if they shall see his face, and his name shall be in their foreheads.

5 And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.

6 And he said unto me, These sayings are faithful and true. And the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done.

7 Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of this book. And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things.

8 Then saith he unto me, + Sould thou do not? for I am thy fellow servant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God.

REVIEW.

Mrs. SARAH REID HUNTER, daughter of Thomas W. and Susan Golding, and granddaughter of Mr. Charles Strong, a Revolutionary soldier, who fought at Yorktown, and witness to the surrender of Lord Cornwallis, was born in the county of Oglethorpe, July 2nd, 1829; baptized in infancy by Rev. Thomas Golding, D. D., and educated at Cherokee Corner, a Seminary at Athens, and at Barhamsville, S. C. She has been under the instruction of eminent instructors, and among them Mr. John F. Wallis, subsequently a Professor in the University of Alabama.

She was married to Capt. N. W. Hunter, in the U. S. Dragoons, August 18th, 1846, by Dr. Alonzo Church, D. D., President of the University of Georgia. Capt. Hunter was distinguished in the Mexican war, and contracted, during service, the disease of which he died April 18th, at Charleston, S. C. His remains were interred in the old Cemetery in "Athens, in a handsome marble vault erected by his devoted widow."

Losing her father while she was yet an infant, she spent her life under the same roof with her mother, with whom she always had a pleasant home. Well educated and talented, she was eminently fitted to train the children of her deceased sister, Mrs. Linton, and her brother, Capt. Theo W. Golding, of Mississippi, whom she did with Christian zeal and devotion.

But it is of Mrs. Hunter as a member of the

Church, and as an active, suffering churchwoman that I desire mainly to speak. She joined the First Presbyterian Church June 28th, 1847.

She was a member of the Sabbath school during her childhood, and subsequently became a most admirable Sabbath School Teacher, and labored as such was greatly blessed. She personally taught a class of intelligent boys and girls, privileged to learn from several of them the gratifying fact that her instructions had been instrumental to their conversion. May we not indulge the hope that many others will hereafter appear in her crown of rejoicing! She also labored with untiring industry in the colored Sabbath School, of which she was a main pillar. She was indefatigable in keeping up the Friday evening prayer meeting, and her devotion to the cause of her Master and Kingdom was conspicuous. As a Mission Collector and agent for other benevolent objects of the Church she was ever most successful, and beyond her most sanguine expectations, always beyond her fears and her timidity.

Above all, whatever tended to the glory of her Master, she was a most active Christian, ever ready to do good and to communicate her knowledge. She was an admirable nurse around the sick bed, full of gentleness and sympathy, and emphatically a Sister of Charity.

A very intelligent lady and well versed in religious literature, she took the deepest interest in every thing that concerned the growth and welfare of her own denomination. She was indeed an intense Presbyterian from conviction, but without a particle of bigotry, or a tinge of narrow sectarianism.

With keen wit and a sensibility allied with reputation of Christ's Ministers of every denomination, she had a peculiar enjoyment in discussing the peculiarities of her own faith and order, and especially the meetings of the Presbyterians, and discussed the General Assembly.

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ileges of her active life, she was destined to early strike down by paralysis, that she died among those who have come up through great tribulation, around the throne of God, to have a stronger relish of the blessedness of contrast with the sufferings of others. She lingered and suffered for more than a year. Her ease teaches the lesson so hard to learn, that the highest virtues are the passive; that while the church seems to need acrobatic workers, God's glory and the Kingdom may be better subserved by languishing, and that his saints must be perfect through suffering.

Died this life August 19th, 1865, and on following Sabbath afternoon her mortal remains were entombed beside her husband, followed by a long procession of sorrowing friends and school teachers and scholars with a number of her colored Sunday School pupils. Funeral services were conducted in the German Church in a most edifying and appropriate manner, by the Rev. Howell Parks, of Methodist Episcopal Church; their own Pastor (sic) and now, in view of her life and her present and everlasting blessedness, others of this brief notice may unite with the congregation, who sang at her funeral:

"Glory be to Jesus,

"Who bought us with his blood;

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Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Dearing are invited to attend  
the funeral of their eldest son, S. T. DEARING,  
from St. Paul's Church, THIS SATURDAY AFTER-  
NOON, at 3 o'clock.

Mr. S. T. Dearing, of Augusta, Georgia, died on Friday afternoon. He was connected for several years with the Southern Express Company.

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2 And he showed me a river of water  
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proceeding out of the throne of God

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July 20th 1868

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My dear Julie

I was very glad to hear you was not sick going up hope you will have a good matress so you will not feel any bad effects from not sleepin well at night, as to taking the bath I did not expect you to take it at all but if you find you feel better from it you must do as you think best, when I was up their I took it before brakfast and took it every day you have been accustomed so little to be up much before brakfast you could not do it so soon you must be governed by your own feelings. Your Aunt Susan asked me if you had a thick pair of ~~thin~~ shoes I do not know whether you have got a pair as you are in a cabin you will need a plarn. Lizza is all pack for Covington she is going to carry all the children so your Papa and I will be at home by ourselves but give 10 days will soon be out will you all come home then. I send you Sue & Baker letter and some Stamps hope you will come home feeling well.

Good bye At 11 o'clock

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you will have a good life all the days  
of your life as I have ~~litter~~ and some ~~affairs~~  
days will soon be out with you all soon know them  
I shall be and I will be at home by some time but you is  
for tomorrow you are going to come all the children as you  
in a cabin you will need a ~~place~~. There is all ready  
not know who will you have got a place so you are  
soon used me if you had a little place of ~~she~~ do  
most to you now by your own feelings. How about  
much longer than you could not do it so soon you  
every day you know how you accustomed to little to the other  
now up the first of next if before to understand our task it  
from it you must do in your friends last return of  
you to take it at all but if you find you feel better  
will not hardly be to tell the truth if will not result  
as you will not feel any bad effects from not sleeping  
such a long time so how you will know a good night

My dear girl

From:

S. J. Dearing

Dec 23, 1862

Dec 27, 1864

To Geo. Minot, I find one awaiting a letter  
of congratulation to you.

Augusta Ga Dec 28<sup>th</sup> 1862.

Will Miss Hale accept the  
accompanying piece of cake as  
a mark of remembrance from me.  
It is a part of my Twenty-first  
~~birth-day~~ <sup>of congratulation</sup> cake given me, an  
last Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> inst. The cake  
had two "hearts" on it which were  
named respectfully for you and  
myself & I now send you one of  
the "hearts" in answer to your  
prayer for a "sweet-heart" which  
I hope will prove as sweet as the  
other one which I eat. Give my  
kind regards to Miss Sallie.  
Accept the cake as a slight token  
of a strong friendship, with the  
best wishes & a "merry Christmas"  
from your friend!

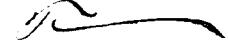
S. J. Deering

Office G. S. Dahl Agent

Augusta Ga. Oct 27<sup>th</sup> 1864

10 O'clock Wednesday night.

I received your two letters on Monday a week ago and would have answered them the day day but was at work in Col. Brown's office all day and at Capt. Howell's until 9 o'clock that night, and I had then to walk out home as Mr. & Mrs. Attendant were to meet there that night. Tuesday I was busy all day and likewise Wednesday Thursday and was sick Friday. I went on Friday night to Emanuel County where Mr. & Mrs. John D. Rhind the wedding party had all gone. I did not want to go on account of father's & Dennis sickness but the former wanted me to go and I went as much on his account as my own. I had no opportunity to write down there. I waited with Miss Lily Rhind who is a very nice young lady, we were the fifth couple. I was very sorry as was all the family that you could not come down. Mrs. Rhind will give you all the particulars of the wedding. Mother said she would send you a piece of cake. I forgot to ask her last night if she sent it. I was sick when I got back and went to bed very soon. We all returned last night from Emanuel. We had a very pleasant time, playing games riding horse back, walking and rowing on the pond. It made me think of our party and

of the fun we had last year and the year before. Cousin  
Lennie is better but is still quite sick. She is paralyzed  
on the left side, but Dr Steiner thinks she will recover  
from the effects as it was caused by nervousness. Father  
is still quite unwell and suffers a great deal, but sits up most  
of the time. This did not go with us as she did not like  
to leave Lennie. I would have liked to have joined your  
chestnut party very much for I know it would have had  
a nice time. Tuesday was a beautiful day and the reading  
posted off most happily as you wished. I saw  
Mr Luckie and spoke to him but do not remember  
meeting "Sissi". I saw Mr Luckie several times before  
I recognized him, as I think he has broken a good deal  
since I last saw him. I was so busy last week &  
then I went away the last of the week that I have not  
been able to look for your letters, but will try and  
do so to-morrow. I have just finished work and  
commenced to answer your two letters for I am ashamed  
of myself for not writing before, but I have been run almost  
to earth with business. You must excuse this miserable scrawl  
as I have been writing as fast as I could to get through before  
they close the office. I will try and write in a day or two.  
until then "Good bye" love love to Miss Sallie & kind  
regards to Miss Sue & your mother. With love 

April 28, 1864

From Wm L. Kenyon  
Lockport, N.Y.

It is began you, all begin the  
way, but we poor old men see as  
if you slaves had enough &  
that old master wanted to die &  
I could not find for him cause  
what kind of work they are or  
always find a certain abundance  
them too reeeker of faccines &  
something to learn yet about our  
God grant they may learn &  
struggle. It is my opinion the  
Lamplight was scared, and very  
letter from a certain young lady  
it and made addressed to Mr.  
Dear got over her scars, took it, an  
and kept it until now.

Mr. Lee and Knight don't  
dig potatoes, although it originally  
belonged to them.

When you write to Miss George  
say as the daughter of Mr. Lee  
didn't come home while she was  
there say also that I heard Mr.  
Asher, that with a little kin-  
ship he was very devoted of love  
she without any instant to it.

64 Dennis Kart  
St. Agg April 28<sup>th</sup> 186

As you began yours, I'll begin mine. I think it is quite a good way, but as you set me the example, you cannot conceive how.

So you have had enough of the soldiers. Did not I tell you that I never intended to see the broken encamped Quartermaster of any Army? You can know all my reasons & the Captain what kind of work they are or where they came from, you will always find a certain abdement about them that makes them no respecter of persons. The good people of Athens have something to learn yet about war. They are but in the 2d. & 3d.

God grant they may learn more during this unhappy struggle. It is my opinion that some one else besides Bob Lumsden was scared, and very hardly scared too, for I received a letter from a certain young lady friend of mine, with no date to it and made address to no one. That looks as if she had not got over her scare, don't it; and I am sure the Party was scared by it.

Mr. Lee and Bright declined the honor of learning how to dig potatoes, although it originated in the far flamed City of Athens.

When you write to Miss George Strong again, tell her I know she says she doesn't like scrubby cleaners; it was because she didn't come home while she was there and had no time with her. Tell her also that I heard her praised so much by you all in Athens, that with a little persuading on her part I can swear to be the most devoted of lovers. And as it is last year she gave without any importunity to make the first advances. Tell her of

am a mighty good boy, but powerful ugly. What a very common face it  
else had I been. She must be his choice.

You tell Miss Dennis that I don't think her for combining that a  
very little but of it takes its way out sweetly

I certainly did give that balance punch to Dennis. Didn't you hear me  
say he gave it to the first member of our party that asked who I was?  
Well didn't he get the answer as I got in Camp and had a long race &  
and then about two miles but got it off. He got it back again &  
while it might have been but unless it was fast up in a piece of paper  
for just his hand. Poor unfortunate boy. He is a true good friend &  
of mine for ever. I shant try and see him deceived so bad by Dennis. I  
will tell him so but you are a perfect orator. You will be to Mr. Dennis. In  
him he has all his happiness yet tied in the web of life.

He will be a poor man for him to bear, and I would sent him some  
one else to be with him because you will be to him a very good com-  
plice at City. But it is very duty and I think you should do it  
it. But you old little father would stand here without you, and  
why don't you do it.

I had thought upon him but we could have started on our spring  
Campaign, but we are still in Camp. We are still in looking for orders. In  
every day when the signal gun has beat on the heights of the Pyrenees  
does not, it will be likely that we know what we are to do.

Oh if I could only live under the dark shade of oblivion & seal  
down between me and the world; if I could but forget and see my  
dead boy lying cold and stark upon the battle field, die in sorrow  
in the field of blood & fire but forever & forever & forever &  
last breath willing & not I bear it down with me. But I do not  
know if without a shadow anything but this uncertainty. But a  
kind hand has clasped it here and we should not wish to see it re-  
moved. Anna & the others have joined us. Often they fight in dice games  
and intend to give Frank a good whipping and not play more

common fault. So this time last year or a little later, say sometime in August  
when I was twenty one then and you're eighteen) let us go  
camping out over to Erie and eat peaches and visit. Should it be retained?  
The Napoleon said at Austerlitz, well end this war with a clash of  
Didnt you hear thunder? Our Brigade has been increased by the 10<sup>th</sup> Regt Battalion  
which includes and 63<sup>d</sup> Regt. It is one of the largest in the Army.  
Take a long walk. The inspector of our Division paid over night a very high compliment  
by saying you must a few days ago while inspecting me, he said that he had never  
seen a piece of parry in a field than any Regt in the Army. By the way he  
had a friend in a cousin to Miss George Strong and a brother besides the man who  
died last year. He is a Major Duncan from South Carolina. Miss George  
D.D. and I can tell you all about him.

Well now I have nothing more to write and intend to stop.  
tell that some and I want you to promise me one thing, that is don't show  
me a very un-  
friendly friend from my letter to Maria Weston. I don't object to Cousin Jeff seeing  
it, but I do object most sincerely to any body outside of home  
with yours. After reading it, this one or any future one shall I may write  
it is a source of great pleasure to me to write and get letters from  
you, but if you persist in showing them, I will never write to you  
for another. Jeff is about as poor a correspondent as you describe  
of the Republicans, but she said no attachment to it. Friends are being very  
kind to her. I don't intend to write a dozen letters to you and get over in  
shall be letter for letter as soon as you stop writing. I shall have  
done it a short time ago, don't want one to write, and I won't do it  
Give much love to Sister, Little sis, the children, Cousin Fannie  
and all the family. Please do all friendly in the winter that  
one of your best friends in war or peace is

I could think  
why. What a  
No see it re-  
ading does come  
and this word

Philip.

1<sup>st</sup> I know you will excuse my conceivably writing, for I  
have not been meaning for what ever you wrote. Besides  
George Hayes, Jane Weston and Dalt, Dickey, have been talking  
so much that I don't know what I have written.