

William Few, Sr., b. 1714, lvd Md, later removing to Ga., d. 7/1794, Columbia Co. Ga. Recd land grants Richmond Co. 1769, 1784. Richmond Co. Ga. DB A2, P. 238, James Brown and his w., Ann, of St. George's Parish, Ga., to William Few, Sr. of St. Paul's Parish, 1/29/1776, for 35 acres in St. Paul's Par., adj. lands of William Few, et al. DB A2, P. 138. William Few, Sr. grants to Ignatius Few, 12/4/1789, 34 acres, Rae's Cr. DB A-2, P. 162, William Few, Sr. grants to Ignatius Few land originally gtd him in 1769. Papers and Addresses of William Preston Few, Pres. of Duke Univ., by Robert H. Woody: "William Preston Few, descended from William Few of Maryland, who purchased land in 1758 Orange County, North Carolina. He was born 1714, died 1794, a Colonel in the Revolution War. William moved to Wrightsboro, Richmond Co., Georgia, and a son, Colonel William Few represented Georgia in the Continental Congress, and his sons, Major Ignatius Few and Colonel Benjamin Few, were officers in the Patriot Army. Ignatius married Mary, daughter of William Candler, and their son was Ignatius A. Few, Founder of Emory University, then Emory College." LWT of William Few, Sr. dtd 10/22/1789, pvd 7/21/1794, Columbia Co., naming w, Ann, stepdau, Katherine Hunt and Hannaritz Hunt, Benjamin, William, Ignatius, dau., Hannah Howard and Elizabeth Andrews, Benjamin Andrews, Benjamin Few, Ignatius Few, Rhesa Howard.

Issue:

- I. Benjamin Few, Col. in Rev. War; Road Commissioner of Richmond Co. 1783; J. P. 1783-84, 1788-89; Justice of Inf. Ct. 1789-1790.
- II. Elizabeth Few m. Benjamin Andrews.
- III. Hannah Few m. Rhesa Howard.
- IV. William Few, b. 6/8/1748, d. 6/16/1828 Fishkill, N. Y.; represented Ga. in Continental Congress, 1780-88, at Constitutional Convention of 1787. Commander of Creek-Cherokee Conference 5/1783; House of Repr. of Columbia Co. 1796; Surveyor Gen. of Ga. 1779. The Georgia Gazette, "Honorable William Few married Miss Nicholson, daughter of Commodore Nicholson of New York City, in New York, June 1, 1788." The Southern Recorder, 8/2/1828: "Died on the 16th inst., at the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. Christie, in Fishkill, New York, Colonel William Few in his 81st year. He was a Senator from Georgia, 1789-1793, and delegate from this state to the Constitutional Convention of 1787." The Bible of William Few who m. Catherine, dau. of Frances Witter and Mr. Nicholson, filed at Ga. State Archives, cites their issue, i. e.: Frances, b. 4/20/1789, m. Albert Chrystie of N. Y. 4/1822, d. 3/26/1885 Hastings, N. Y.; Mary, b. 12/18/1790 N. Y.; Matilda, b. 2/22/1794 Ga. m. in NY, Rev. Doc Knox; and Albert, b. 9/5/1797 Ga., d. 9/3/1810 N. Y., age 13.
- V. Ignatius Few, Maj., in Rev. War, m. Mary Candler, dau. of William Candler. Just before his death 7/1810, he was separated from his wife. Recd headright grants Richmond Co. Ga. 1774, 1793, 1790. Jackson Co. land deeded to Ignatius Few by John Bender 11/6/1788. The Savannah Republican, 3/8/1810: "On 18th ult., Ignatius Few, Esq. of Columbia County, died in his 60th year. He served in the Revolutionary War as a Captain of Dragoons... Was taken prisoner by the British and confined a long time in a dungeon at St. Augustine, Florida." The LWT of Ignatius Few dtd 8/21/1809, pvd 7/1810 Columbia Co., Ga., legacies as follows: To his s, William, when of age, Pamona Plantation, 900 acres on which

he now lives called "Mount Pomona," the orig. est. of Henry Candler, plus negroes, furniture, etc. When s, Ignatius, comes of age, he is to retain Mt. Carmel Plantation of 350 acres; 300 acres, 41 acres, being orig. prop. of testator's father; 400 acres. To Mrs. Mary Frail, alias Hicks, with testator's children and a child with which she is supposed to be pregnant, to remain on Mt. Carmel and receive maintenance. "Having been married to Miss Mary Candler and a mutual separation taking place," testator pd to Miss Mary Candler Few her dower and "she has no further claim." William Devereaux, husb. of decd dau, Elizabeth, to have household furniture and "all the property my daughter, Elizabeth, was entitled to." To my dau, Lavinia, when 16, 2/5ths of tract orig. belonging to William Candler, 1150 acres, also slaves, flatboat at ferry, piano, guitar, music, cooks, china, etc., and she is to have best education possible. To Alfred, 3500 acres in Franklin Co., negroes, etc., to be sent to a decent boarding school and receive good English education, including bookkeeping, to be apprenticed to a merchant until he is 18, then to enter respectable mercantile house until 21, then to have \$2000 to set himself up in business. To Leonidas, 1760 acres on Broad River, Franklin Co., negroes, etc., to be kept at school, and apprenticed for three years to learn trade. To Camillus, 287 1/2 acres, Washington Co., negroes, etc., to attend school and enter respectable mercantile house. To dau., Lodiska, 100 acres, Germany Creek, the orig. land of Thomas Few, with mills, gin, storehouse, and two-third of 400 acre tract on N. Fork of Little River, negroes, etc., to receive good English education. To Crapus, 925 acres Rocky Comfort Creek, 500 acres Joe's Creek, 1000 acres Fort's Creek, 200 acres on Sweetwater Creek, to be sent to school and educated to "practice Physic." The Codicil which Ignatius Few made 11/29/1809, stated he would have his illegitimate child legitimized [11/29/1809], changing the names from Hicks to Few, and they were made legal heirs. W., "Mary Candler Few", to have all prop. given her before separation. Issue:

1. William Few m. Margaret Hickey 1/2/1797 Columbia Co. Ga.
2. Ignatius Alphonso Few m. Selina Carr, 8/26/1811, Columbia Co. Ga., He was b. 4/11/1789 Columbia Co., d. 11/28/1845, Athens, Ga., Cyclopedia of Georgia, V. II, by Allen D. Candler and Clement A. Evans: "Ignatius Few was first President of Emory College. Born in Columbia County April 11, 1789. His father, Captain Ignatius Few, was a gallant soldier in the war for independence and the son was in the War of 1812. He graduated from Princeton College and when Emory was founded in 1837, he was elected the first President...Died at Athens, Georgia, November 28, 1845."
3. Lavinia Few.
4. Alfred Few.
5. Lodiska Few m. Augustus Brown.
6. Camillus Few.
7. Crapus Few.
8. Elizabeth Few m. William Devereaux 4/17/1795, Columbia Co., Ga.
9. Leonidas Few, w., Martha. 2/27/1823 he purchased land in Jackson Co. Ga. from Elizabeth Bush and on 6/2/1829 land from Alexander Telfair. He d. Jackson Co. 6/1833, leaving widow, Martha, and 15 children, with Martha pregnant at the time. LWT dtd 5/10/1833, pvd 7/1/1833, P. 181-2, Jackson WB A, names father-in-law, Levi Lowry, bequeathing his children 1760 acres in Franklin Co., 1000 acres on Curries Creek, Jackson Co. After his death, Martha m. Charles Witt of Jackson Co, 8/25/1837. He m. Martha Lourey 6/10/1822, Jackson Co.

**Major Ignatius Alphonso Few, Sr.** was born 8/20/1750 in Maryland, died 2/18/1810 in Columbia County, Georgia. He was a son of William Few, Sr. and his wife, Mary Wheeler. Major Few was married to Mary Candler. His LWT was dated 7/21/1794, probated 7/1810 in Columbia County, Georgia.