

from again. Daniel Lawson lived in middle Georgia and was murdered, supposedly for his money.

CENSUS REFERENCES: 1830, 1840, 1850, *Lowndes*; 1860, *Colquitt*.

LEE, John

1755-1838

WARE

JOHN LEE, an early settler of Ware County, was born between 1750 and 1760 in North Carolina, and married and lived in Wayne County, N. C., until sometime about 1800 when he moved with his family to Georgia. He became among the first settlers of Appling County when it was opened up to settlers in 1819, and is found there in the 1820 Census. His wife's name cannot now be learned, descendants remembering only the husband's name. Children of John Lee and his wife included:

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| 1. James     | b. 1790, m. Cinderella _____.   |
| 2. Lewis     | b. 1797, m. Susannah _____.   |
| 3. Jincy     | b. 179., m. (unknown).  |
| 4. Elizabeth | b. 1800, m. D. J. Blackburn.  |
| 5. George    | b. 1801, m. 1st _____ Stephens. 2nd Rebecca Griffis, dau. of Saml. 3rd Mary Carter; no issue. |
| 6. Mary Ann  | b. 18...., m. _____ Hickox.   |
| 7. Pollie    | b. 1812,, m. Tharp Roberts.   |

John Lee was a Revolutionary soldier in North Carolina, and drew land as such in the 1827 Land Lottery (p. 360, Knight's Roster of The Revolution), residing at the time in Ware County.

In the creation of Ware County out of Appling in 1824, John Lee and family were placed in the new county. His home was originally in Bacon County, but his last few years were spent in the southern part of Ware on or near the Suwannee River where he is found in the 1830 Census. He died there sometime about 1838.

CENSUS REFERENCES: 1790, *Wayne Co., N. C.*; 1820, *Appling*; 1830, *Ware*.

LIGHTSEY, Jacob

1810-1892

CLINCH

JACOB LIGHTSEY was born in Colleton District, S. C., June 17, 1810, and came to Wiregrass Georgia with his brother, Samuel, in 1836. After living in Lowndes County a short while Jacob Lightsey decided to move over into the adjoining county of Ware. Here he granted lands from the State, Lots 509 and 581, 12th district, and made his home on these lands. He was married in Barnwell District, S. C., January 7, 1830, to Miss Christina Rice, born Oct. 25, 1807,

died Sept. 24, 1890. daughter of John and Ann (Guest) Rice. To them were born:

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| 1. Cornelius B.   | b. Dec. 30, 1831, m. Sarah Carter, dau. of John.  |
| 2. Rebecca        | b. Feb., 1833, never married; died young girlhood.  |
| 3. Susannah (Ann) | b. Jan. 14, 1834, m. (1) William J. Knight, son of Wm. C., killed in C.S.A.; (2) David S. Copeland. |
| 4. Mary E.        | b. Feb. 7, 1836, m. Mitchell S. Griffin, of Cat Creek.  |
| 5. John J.        | b. Apr. ..., 1837, m. _____ in Florida. Moved there.  |
| 6. Stephen J.     | b. June 13, 1838, m. Elizabeth Lott, dau. of Dr. Daniel.  |
| 7. Rachel         | b. Oct. 24, 1840, m. (1) Lewis Sirmans, son of David J. (2) John A. Whittington, no issue.          |
| 8. Jacob S.       | b. Sept. 26, 1842, m. Henrietta E. Nugent, April 4, 1884.   |
| 9. George W.      | b. ...., ...., 1844 never m., died in Federal prison at Camp Chase, Ohio.                           |

Jacob Lightsey was in the Indian War and served in Capt. David R. Bryan's company of Lowndes County militia in 1838, prior to his removal to Ware County. In 1850, in the creation of Clinch out of Ware County he was cut off into Clinch. He served as a Justice of the Inferior Court of Clinch County 1855-57 and again 1861-62.

When the railroad was built through from Savannah to Thomasville his plantation was not far from the new station, No. 12, or "Suwannoochee" as it was first called (since 1872, named DuPont). Judge Lightsey bought some lands in the new town north of the railroad, and built the town's first hotel which he and his wife operated for many years. Judge Lightsey died there April 27, 1892. He and his wife were buried at the North Cemetery two miles north of DuPont.

Judge Lightsey and wife were charter members of Prospect Primitive Baptist Church Jan. 22, 1859. He was ordained a deacon of the church June 4, 1859, and served as church clerk 1859-1865. Mrs. Lightsey died a member and later Judge Lightsey was dismissed by letter Sept. 21, 1891, to become a member of Olive Leaf Church.

Of the children, Stephen J. and Cornelius B. Lightsey and John J. Lightsey moved to South Florida where they reared their families and lived until their deaths.

CENSUS REFERENCES: 1840, 1850, *Ware*; 1860, 1870, *Clinch*.

LIGHTSEY, Samuel

1806-1878

ECHOLS

SAMUEL LIGHTSEY was born in Colleton District, S. C., in 1806. With his brother, Jacob, the two families moved to Lowndes County, Georgia, in 1836. Samuel's first wife, Martha M., was born in 1814 in S. C. Her maiden name has