

## GABRIEL GARDNER

Gabriel Gardner's sister Clara (Wigfall) testified that her brother was jailed in Charleston for selling whiskey to the soldiers (whether stationed at HHI or in Charleston she does not specify).

She also implies that the Gardner family was not in Hilton Head originally. She says that her father March "came before peace declared". Clara was sent for by her father about 6 years later. He had no land when she first got here (Hilton Head Island). He bought the land from Willie Drayton about a year after she came. I calculate that March bought the land in about 1871. She states that Gabriel was in jail up in Charleston at this time. Thomas Wigfall says that Gabriel "came from somewhere on Waccamaw River." He came on a boat.

Renty Miller, another Mitchelville neighbor at the time, testifies that March sold lots of land to Jack Screven, Charles Perry, Robert Wiley, Renty Gibson, John Nesbit, Dr. Pinckney's father..

Thomas Wigfall (husband of Clara) who collected the rents after March and Gabriel died, expanded on the list of renters: **Bob Washington, Caesar White, Charles Robinson, Charles Perry, Scipio Drayton, Charles Pinckney, Billy Reed, and Peter Flowers.** Flowers apparently purchased land from March, as did Joe Williams.

Dr. F. E. Wilcher testified that Gabriel Gardner was not particularly successful. He was in debt when he died. Dr. Wilcher also mentions that Gabriel was a preacher. This coincides with the Methodist Church, 1884, information (see file)

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State of South Carolina

Tillman vs. Smalls

Election Precinct at Mitchelville on November 7, 1876

Gabriel Gardner, a witness for the contestee, who, being duly sworn by law deposes:

Gabriel Gardner, age 49, lives in Mitchelville, Hilton Head Island, SC and has stated his occupation as merchant. He served as Election Manager at the polls from 6am to 10pm. A disruption took place near the polls between a man named McFall, who had voted Democrat that day, and others regarding "democratic tickets" being distributed, and people being prevented from voting and/or being threatened.

Gardner testifies on April 5, 1877

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Re: Gabriel P. Gardner

MINUTES

OF THE

295  
8/11/11

ANNUAL CONFERENCES

OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

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SPRING CONFERENCES OF 1884.

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NEW YORK:  
PHILLIPS & HUNT.  
CINCINNATI:  
GRANSTON & STOWES  
1884.

Sumterville and Brooksville Mission, *L. Roper.*

**JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.**

W. J. SALMOND, P. E.  
(P. O. Jacksonville.)

Fernandina and Hart's Road Circuit, *J. G. Howard.*

Hibernia and Palatka Circuit, *Riley E. Robinson.*

Jacksonville: Ebenezer, *P. Searlugin.*

Jacksonville Circuit, *C. O. Mangault.*

King's Ferry Circuit, *J. F. Elliott.*  
Lake City and Huntsville, *Dennis Johnson.*

Lone Star Circuit, *Pristell Johnson.*

Monticello and Madison Circuit, to be supplied.

New Hope and New Zion, *I. J. Johnson.*

Saint Augustine, *Jeffrey Grant.*  
Saint John's River East Circuit, *A. Solomon.*

Sanderson and Darbyville Circuit, *Iraal Moody.*

Starke Circuit, *Squire Jackson.*

Waldo and Free Canaan, *John Wilson.*

Wrightsville Circuit, *E. Dilworth.*

*S. B. Darnell*, Principal of Cookman Institute—member of Ebenezer Quarterly Conference.

**SAINT JOHN'S RIVER DIST.**

C. POLLEY, P. E.

(P. O. Chasovilla.)

Brooklyn, Glen Saint Mary, and Lake De Funiak, *N. Webster.*

Deland, *William M. Fisher.*

Indian River Mission, to be supplied.

Jacksonville: Trinity, *C. O. M'Lean.*

East Mission, to be supplied.

Kingsley Lake Circuit, to be supplied.

Lake Eustia, *W. F. Shoemaker.*

Lake George Circuit, *C. W. Harshman.*

Lake Harris Mission, to be supplied.

Mount Dora Circuit, to be supplied.

New Berlin Circuit, *W. H. Simpson.*

Norwalk Circuit, *J. H. Stony.*

Orange City, *James Schofield.*

Saint Augustine, *S. D. Pious.*

Seneca Lake Circuit, *I. Edwards.*

QUEST. 28. *Where shall the next Conference be held?*

At Trinity Church, Jacksonville.

## SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE,

Held in Sumter, S. C., January 16-21, 1884.

BISHOP BOWMAN, *Presiding.*

J. B. MIDDLETON, *Secretary.*

QUEST. 1. *Who are Received by Transfer, and from what Conferences?*

None.

QUEST. 2. *Who are Admitted on Trial?*

Chas. C. Jacobs, Stewart Simmons, Clayton R. Brown, July C. Fendegrass, Francis C. Jones, Henry C. Dennis, Alfred Lewis—7.

QUEST. 3. *Who Remain on Trial?*

David G. Johnson, Paul D. Harris, Washington J. Smith, Thomas Sims, Seymour S. Butler, Samuel S. Thompson, Thomas J. Clark, Edward Kirby, William S. Harris, Lawrence L. Townsend—10.

QUEST. 4. *Who are Discontinued?*

J. T. Harrison, Geo. W. Brabham—2.

QUEST. 5. *Who are Admitted into Full Connection?*

Addison E. Quick, Shadrack Thomas—2.

QUEST. 6. *Who are Re-admitted?*

A. Harris.

QUEST. 7. *Who are Received on Credentials from other Churches?*

Isaac B. Smith, from the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

QUEST. 8. *What Traveling Preachers have been elected Deacons?*

Addison E. Quick.

QUEST. 9. *What Traveling Preachers have been ordained Deacons?*

Addison E. Quick.

QUEST. 10. *What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?*

Leonard G. M'Donald, Joseph Ladson, Gabriel P. Gardner, Francis C. Jones, Isalah Williams, Fred. Fendegrass, Henry C. Dennis, Stewart Simmons—8.

QUEST. 11. *What Local Preachers have been ordained Deacons?*

Leonard G. M'Donald, Joseph Ladson, Gabriel P. Gardner, Francis C. Jones, Isalah Williams, Fred. Fendegrass, Henry C. Dennis, Stewart Simmons—8.

QUEST. 12. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the First Class?*

Joshua S. Garrett, Addison E. Quick, Shadrack Thomas, Erasmus Dimery—4.

QUEST. 13. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?*

Edmund H. Colt, James W. White, Leonard S. Blakeney, Nelson C. Davies, Anderson B. Franklin, Patrick Fair, Evander M'Daniel—7.

QUEST. 14. *What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?*

Benj. F. Witherspoon, Henry F. M'Elwee, Martin V. Gray, Benj. Gupples, George F. Frederick—5.

QUEST. 15. *What Traveling Deacons have been ordained Elders?*

Benj. F. Witherspoon, Henry F. M'Elwee, Martin V. Gray, Benj. Gupples, George F. Frederick—5.

QUEST. 16. *What Local Deacons have been elected Elders?*

Henry Daniels.

QUEST. 17. *What Local Deacons have been ordained Elders?*

Henry Daniels.

QUEST. 18. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*

A. C. Dutton, P. Witherspoon, Thomas Wright, Lisbon Johnson, L. W. A. Oglesby—5.

QUEST. 19. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*

Stephen Jett, William Darlington—2.

QUEST. 20. *Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?*

This was strictly done, as the name of each Preacher was called in open Conference.

QUEST. 21. *Have any Died?*

H. B. Kershaw.

(See obituary, p. 79.)

QUEST. 22. *Have any been Transferred, and to what Conferences?*

None.

QUEST. 23. *Have any Withdrawn?*

None.

QUEST. 24. *Have any been Located at their own request?*

None.

QUEST. 25. *Have any been Located?*

None.

QUEST. 26. *Have any been permitted to Withdraw under Charges?*

None.

Family Group Record

Prepared By Barbara Fleischmann Relationship to Preparer \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Ancestral Chart # \_\_\_\_\_ Family Unit # \_\_\_\_\_

Husband GABRIEL GARDNER Occupation(s) Grocer, Postmaster (1882-1886), Preacher - Deacon (as of 1884) Religion \_\_\_\_\_

Date—Day, Month, Year		City	County	State or Country	Religion
Born	<u>abt 1828!</u>	<u>Hilton Head</u>	<u>Beaufort</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>(A Republican as of 1877)</u>
Christened					Name of Church
Married					Name of Church
Died	<u>August, 1893</u>				Cause of Death
Buried		Cem/Place			Date Will Written/Proved
Father	<u>MARCH GARDNER</u>				
Mother	<u>?</u>				
Other Wives <u>Cornelia Patterson (b. 1855) - lived with her on "Pork Plantation" until his death in 1893.</u>					

Wife maiden name SUSAN (?) GARDNER Occupation(s) house keeper m. approx. 1860 Religion \_\_\_\_\_

Born	<u>abt 1842 (1844)</u>				
Christened					Name of Church
Died	<u>1910?</u>				Cause of Death
Buried		Cem/Place			Date Will Written/Proved
Father	Other Husbands				
Mother					

•	Sex MF	Children Given Names	Birth		Birthplace			Date of first marriage/Place		Date of Death/Cause			Computer I.D. #
			Day	Month	Year	City	County	St./Ctry.	Name of Spouse	City	County	State/Country	
	F	SARAH	abt		1861	HILTON HD			JAMES HEYWARD				

Gabriel P. Gardner acquired Two Oaks Plantation (prior: Davants) Confiscation. Land still known as ... Broad Cross ...