

*** Fyler Family Continued ***

"Samuel Fyler (born 11 Feb. 1782, died 11 Oct. 1821, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina) was the son of Ulysses and Abigail Fyler of Torrington, Conn. He studied medicine under Dr. Samuel Woodward, commenced practice at Hilton Head, South Carolina: married Ann Talbird, daughter of John and Mary Ann Ladson; (John Talbird died age 66, and is buried at Whale Branch, on Port Royal Island, South Carolina). Samuel and Ann Fyler had at least three children."

* The following are inscriptions taken from graves on Hilton Head Island, Plantation of Dr. Fyler. SCHM Vol. 38-39, p. 18.

1. Mary Ann Fyler died Feb. 7, 1815 - 4 yrs. 6 mos. (b. Aug. 1810)
 2. Aurelia A. Fyler died Oct. 31, 1813 - 15 months (b. July 1812)
- Dr. Samuel Fyler (sic) died Oct. 11, 1821 aged 39 Yrs. 8 months. (The year was copied as 1921, should have been 1821)

3. "John Samuel Fyler, born in South Carolina in 1814: upon the death of his father his mother went to Connecticut, taking him with her, later she married (Dr. ~~Dr.~~) Luman Wakefield of Winchester, Conn. John S. Fyler lived in Connecticut, chiefly at Torrington, until he came of age. He moved first to Montgomery, Alabama, and later to Wilmington, N. C., where he owned a rice mill. He then moved to Beaufort, South Carolina, where he engaged in general merchandising. He was a planter and at one time owned sixty slaves. The Civil War caused him heavy losses and Mr. Fyler went North again. He lived for fifteen years in Wisconsin and then moved to Ossining, N.Y., where he died June 5, 1899. In Beaufort he married Ann Talbird."

The articles about Dr. Samuel Fyler and his son John S. Fyler were taken from the history by Ira E. Bennett.

John S. Fyler was born 22 July 1814, he married 7 March 1838 Ann Talbird (Born 11 June 1817 - died 24 Aug. 1851, bu. St. Helena's Church Yard in the Talbird lot, which belonged to her grandfather Col. Tho. Talbird). Ann was the daughter of Thomas and Ann (Talbird) Talbird

Note: Thomas was the son of John and ~~Mary Ann~~ ^{Mary Ann} Ladson Talbird, his sister, Ann, married Dr. Fyler. His wife, Ann, was the daughter of Col. Thomas and Christiana Crawford Talbird. See what I mean about the family mix up?

John S. and Ann (Talbird) Fyler had five children:

1. Rosa Ann, married George Woodford, of Conn. they had two children: Katharine Lina, who is nearly 91 yrs. old and lived in Honolulu, I hear from her quite often & she sent me her heirlooms.
Frank Fyler Woodford. (now deceased)
2. John S. Fyler, died in childhood
3. Franklin Frederick, married Eliza A. Dorman; one daughter Mabel Dorman Fyler mar. Ira Elbert Bennett. I child Amy Strong.

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4. Margaret Talbird Fyler - married Charles G. Miller, no issue
5. Mary Ellen Fyler - married Valentine Bausenwine, three children

John S. Fyler married 2nd. Elizabeth Holmes, sister of his partner in the mercantile business, George Holmes; they had two daughters Ida and John.

In the July 1963 issue of the S.C.Hist. Magazine page 136 there is an article, "Occupied Beaufort, 1863; A War Correspondent's View" which mentions the home of John S. Fyler, in spite of the fact that he was loyal to the Union his place was taken over by the Yankee occupation forces. I wrote to the Archives Dept. in Washington for a picture or description of the house but there was no record of it. I also wrote about our house on The Point, which was used as a hospital but there were no records of that either. My family had refuged in Chick Springs, their Summer home near Greenville, during the War. When my grandfather and my father went to Beaufort in advance of the family, the house was bare, except for a long table with shelves under it and a lot of medicine bottles, over the door to one of the rooms was a sign "Doctors Office" which was pretty conclusive evidence as to its being a hospital of some sort, the house next door, which now belongs to my sister, was used as doctors quarters. Prior to the War the house had belonged to the Sams family and when Dr. Sams came back some of the doctors were still there. Mr. Fyler also had a plantation, some months ago there was an article in the Beaufort Gazette about a camellia tree which had been taken from the "Fyler" plantation. I feel sure that the name was Fyler, I am now trying to locate the plantation as I am trying to get the names and owners of the old plantations and houses in the lower end of the State. Mr. George Holmes was also a Northern man, he paid someone to take his place in the service, a common practice in the North during the war, as the story goes his mother sent him a present by the man he had hired. He must have been a very fine man as he paid the taxes and saved many places for the Beaufort people, he kept up the taxes on one of our plantations, Red House. I could tell other interesting things about him, some day maybe (?) I will get around to writing my memoirs.

⁴ Franklin Frederick Fyler, born at Beaufort Oct. 11, 1848: named after his uncle Franklin Talbird; married (1st) Eliza Ada Dorman at Berlin, Wis. Sept. 1, 1870: she was born March 11, 1850, daugh. of Dr. Uriah and Eliza Alma (Northrop) Dorman, in Sheffield, Mass., and died Nov. 11, 1885, at Eureka Springs, Ark. and was buried at Oswego, Kan. Franklin and Eliza Fyler had one child:

Mabel Dorman, born Sept. 10, 1871, at Kansas City, Mo., after death of her mother moved with her father to San Diego, Cal; married Ira E. Bennett at Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 17, 1896, and lived in San Diego until 1899; then San Francisco until 1902, then Washington, D. C.

Amy Elizabeth, born in San Diego Nov. 23 1896; married at Washington D.C. Claude Octave Langlais of Lille, France, son of Henri and Madeleine (Torek) Langlais, on June 15, 1918: their child,

Elizabeth Madeleine Edith, born Washington, D. C. May 31 1919; married at Washington William A. Tidwell, Jr., then Captain, A.U.S., on Feb. 14 1943, went to Montevideo, Uruguay, the same month, where

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Captain Tidwell served as Assistant Military Attache, American Embassy:
Their first child

Claudia Louise, born May 2, 1944, at Montevideo: family returned to
Washington 1945: where second child was born

Cynthia Ann Tidwell was born October 1, 1947. "

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Note c.s.g.

Franklin F. Fyler married second Annie Margaret Johnson, widow of
Barnwell B. Sams. No issue. They lived in San Diego, Cal. for a
number of years, then moved to Honolulu, Hawaii.

Annie (Sams) Fyler b. 18 Oct. 1851 - died. 2 Feb. 1937, St. Helena's
Church Yard. Sams Lot. Her infant son is buried there, also Barnwell
B. Sams. She was the daughter of Dr. John A. and Claudia Talbird
Johnson. //

"Ann Talbird Fyler, wife of John S. Fyler, was dau. of Thomas and
Ann Talbird, and was born 11 June 1817 died 24 Aug. 1851. She was
the fourth of seven children. The others were: Thomas, a physician
of Beaufort, d. unmarried; Franklin, married, three children, one of
them named Thomas, favorite cousin of Franklin F. Fyler (who was named
after his uncle Franklin): Mary, married Joseph Cole, three children
(one, only dau., Anne T., died age 17); Margaret and John Edward died
single; and Claudia Christiana, mar. Dr. John A. Johnson, who had a
plantation on Lady's Island. John S. Fyler and wife Ann had five
children: Their dates are recorded in Fyler line record.) No data on
date or place of Ann's death, nor of the first Ann, widow of Samuel
Fyler.) Irv Bennett

Note: I did not bother to copy history of Ann Talbird who married
Dr. Samuel Fyler as it had about the same data as the Fyler record.
As you note there is a record of Ann's birth and death which I added
above. I have tried to locate records in Conn. which might show where
Ann, the wife of Dr. Fyler and later the wife of Dr. Wakefield, is
buried, sometimes on tombs they put the names of parents, was hoping
to find the name of the Miss Ladson who married John Talbird, but had
no luck. The Fyler home at Windsor, Conn. which was built by Lt. Walter
Fyler, is now in the possession of the Connecticut Historical Society,
I understand it is a very lovely place. Katharine Woodford is a life
member of the Society, she suggested that I write them which I did but
my letter was not answered. I had previously written to the The Conn.
Historical Soc. Hartford, Conn. I received a very nice letter in reply
but they were unable to find any record of Ann Talbird Wakefields mother
and I gathered ^{there was} no record of her at all from the data below:

"Wakefield Memorial, comprising an Historical, Genealogical and
Biographical Register of the name and Family of Wakefield" compiled
by Homer Wakefield, 1897. Gives the following:

Dr. Luman Wakefield, son of Patashall and Sarah (Barnard) Wakefield
born at Colebrook, Conn. July 30, 1787, died at Winsted, Conn. Mar 18,
1850: married Nov. 14, 1814, Elizabeth (Betsy) Wakefield, dau of Elijah
and Lucy (Wright) Rockwell of Colebrook. "

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Among the family heirlooms given to me by Katharine Woodford were two autograph books which belonged to Ann Talbird, later Mrs. J. S. Fyler, one had autographs etc. of family and friends in Beaufort, written just prior to her trip to Conn. to visit her aunt and prospective mother-in-law. One of the autographs in the latter was written by Luman Wakefield, I believe the date was 1835/6, I thought perhaps she was married in Conn. but the records of St. Helena state that she was married at home and her Father and step-mother, Thomas and Christiana (Talbird) Talbird were witnesses. I do not know when Ann, widow of Dr. Fyler, married Wakefield.