**** EPITAPHS FROM WHALE PLANTATION CEMETERY ****

Sacred to the memory of the Hon. Paul Hamilton, late Governor of the State of South Carolina, also Secretary of the Navy of the United States, who departed this life on the 30th of June 1816, Aged 54 years 8 months and 14 days. The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away, Blessed be the Name of the Lord.

John Rhodes died Oct. 4, 1827, 80 yrs 8 mos. 2 days b. 2 3tb 1747

Mrs. Mary Rhodes, wife of John Rhodes, Esq., died Oct. 19, 1811 aged 60 yrs and 29 days.

This stone is erected to her memory by her son Henry Rhodes

Mary Ann wife of B. W. Blakewood, M.D. daughter of Capt. Henry and Sarah E. Talbird, born Jan. 6, 1826 died Aug. 18, 1846.

In memory of Capt. John Talbird, who died Feb 11th., 1844, aged sixty-six years three months. (6. Nov.)

Capt. Henry Talbird, born 28 Oct. 1781, died Feb. 1841

Sarah E. Talbird, wife of Capt. Henry Talbird, born Feb 7, 1790 died Tan. 21, 1852.

Richard Talbird, son of Capt. Henry Talbird, born Sept. 12, 1815 died April 1845.

Henrietta Rhodes Potter died Mar. 26, 1852. Her infant daughter Henrietta Rhodes Potter died February 11, 1834.

Dr. John Rhodes, son of Dr. Nathaniel Henry Rhodes and Mary his wife died Nov. 15, 1830, aged 21 yrs and 6 months.

Mrs. Mary Screven daughter of the late Paul Hamilton, Esq., died Oct 8, 1830 aged 47 yrs and i0 months 9 daya.

Nathaniel Henry Rhodes, M.D., son of John and Mary Rhodes, who died at Beaufort July loth, 1817, after three days severe illness in the 35th, year of his age.

Paul Hamilton, M.D. died)ct. 5th, 1817, aged 29 yrs. 9 mos. 8 days. Stone erected by his only remaining son.

Note. Whale Branch Plantation belonged to Henry Talbot, later Talbird, He and his family including James Doharty were evidently buried in the vault. When I first visited the plantation in the early twenties, the remains of the vault was still there but it was badly broken and had fallen in. CTJ - 1965.