

## HISTORY OF HOUSTON COUNTY

Thompson, Mrs. Sallie M. Lundy; Mrs. Dollie V. Worthington, Mrs. Emma Freeman. Since his death Mrs. Sallie M. Lundy has died and the other three children are still living—Mrs. Freeman making her home in Denver, Colorado, and in Texas. Thomas W. Thompson and Mrs. Dollie V. Worthington are the two oldest members of the Tenney Memorial Presbyterian Church in Crockett.

### WILLIAM VICORY TUNSTALL

William Vicory Tunsall was born in Pittsylvania County, Virginia, on December 19th, 1785. He was educated at Danville, Va., learned the printing business in the old State Gazette office at Nashville, Tenn. He was married at the age of 25 years in North Carolina to Miss Dolly Hall Vaughan. He edited and published the first newspaper in Halifax, N. C., called the "Informant," established in 1812. From North Carolina he went to Kentucky, and his uncle Buck Tunstall being Clerk of the Federal Court, he became his deputy. From Kentucky he went to Indiana and published a paper in Vincennes. From thence he again went to Kentucky. During his second residence there, he taught school in Frankfort. From Kentucky he went to Fayetteville, Tenn. where in 1823 he established, edited and published the "Post Boy." At the time of his death he was perhaps the oldest printer in the United States. From Tennessee he went to Alabama, where he resided 25 years, and then came to Texas in 1853. Here he spent his time in teaching, with his son-in-law, Judge S. M. Thompson.

He died at Crockett, Houston County, Texas, at the residence of his son-in-law, Judge Thompson (the house Dr. Corley lived in and where the present Ritz Theatre now stands) on December 14th, 1870 at the age of 85 years. He was the father of Thomas B. Tunstall and Caroline U. Tunstall, the wife of Judge Thompson, who was the mother of Thomas W. Thompson.

### JUDGE WILLIAM BENJAMIN WALL

Judge William Benjamin Wall deserves to be remembered as a fearless, tireless, determined man, who had a will of his own and was uncompromising in support of his judgment. He was born in Amite County, Mississippi on August 3rd, 1837.