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Name Historic James Stewart House
Common Stewart's Corner

Location [REDACTED]
Classification Building

Owner Mrs. T. D. Simmons
423 West Main Street
Lexington, SC 29072

Representation in Existing Surveys Inventory of Historic Places in South Carolina.

Description The James Stewart House, which is believed to have been constructed ca. 1850, is a rectangular, one-and-one-half-story, frame cottage with a gable roof and two interior chimneys. The house is sheathed in weatherboard siding and the roof is covered with metal shingles. A porch with a high gable supported by square wood posts shelters the three central bays of the five-bay facade. The central entrance with transom and sidelights is flanked by two windows. Windows are nine-over-nine on the first story and six-over-six in the gable ends of the side elevations.

Significance The James Stewart House is one of the few intact antebellum houses remaining in the town of Lexington. It was the home of the town's only known nineteenth century furniture maker, Samuel James Stuart (Stewart). In 1852 Catharine Meetze Corley and two of her children, Simeon Corley and Margaret Corley Harmon deeded their interest in the property where the house is now located to Rebecca Corley Stuart.⁴⁹ In May 1853, Catharine Meetze Corley deeded this same property to her son Simeon Corley to be held in trust for his sister, Mrs. Rebecca Corley Stuart and her heirs, exclusive of the controls of her husband, S. J. Stewart, the cabinet maker.⁵⁰

UTM Reference Point [REDACTED]

Other Information

NOT FOR PUBLICATION
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE
 Local
 State
 National

[REDACTED] Rebecca C. Stuart died before 1907, leaving the lands to her children: Lucy M. Stuart, Mattie R. Stuart, Naomi C. Stuart, W. C. Stuart, Sallie C. Stuart and John M. Stuart. In 1947 the surviving heirs, J. Walter Stuart and Mrs. John W. Stuart deeded their interest in the lot to Mattie Stuart Jones.⁵¹ Upon her death the property was sold to T. D. Simmons, whose widow owns and occupies the house today.

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PROPOSED MOVE APPROVAL

For Keeper

Patrick Andrews 6/13/91