



TEMPER OF THE TIMES. *The below are from articles appearing in Savannah newspapers in April 1856.*

Accident. – A man, named John Gray, was run over by a dray yesterday morning in West Broad street. He had one of his legs broken, and also received some further injuries. He was taken to the Hospital.
Savannah Morning News. April 1, 1856.

The Weather. – Old Winter seems to have gathered strength and tenacity by the extraordinary exercise of his powers during the season allotted by the Almanac-makers of his legitimate reign. He has grown ambitious too, and not content with supremacy in his own appropriate kingdom, is seeking to encroach upon the empire of the lovely, smiling Queen, who of right succeeds him, to cheer and brighten that which he has made cheerless and desolate. Could it do any better we should protest against the usurpation, but, alas! In such cases the “power of the press” loses its charm, and even *vox populi* is not longer *vox dei*. We might exhaust all the gray-goose quills in the anserdoin [anserine], and the sovereignty might hold indignation meetings till kingdom come, and the old tyrant would still stride on unchecked and heedless. It is really vexing to think of our impotency, but then it is some consolation to know there is one thing, at least, beyond the reach of democracy. For ourselves we intend to act the philosopher and quit grumbling, come what may – and



whether May comes at all or not, -- and in the meantime, have ordered a supply of coal to be delivered the middle of June, and made some changes in our private copy of **Grier's Almanac** for the month of July, so as to make it read: “just about now look for snow.”
Savannah Daily Republican. April 1, 1856

Melancholy Occurrence.

A most melancholy affair occurred at the house of Mr. Fugh, in Drayton street, yesterday afternoon. Mr. John F. Dombriski, a Pole, and one of those unfortunate exiles who have been driven from their own land by the political convulsions of the late years, being destitute of means and employment, deliberately placed a pistol to his side and discharged its contents into his body. When our reporter saw him, a few hours after the occurrence, he was still alive, but suffering greatly from pain and internal hemorrhage. No hopes are entertained of his recovery.

Mr. Dombriski was a young man, some 24 or 25 years of age, was educated for the army at St. Petersburg, joined the Hungarians in the revolution of 1848, taken prisoner after a disastrous battle, and sent to St. Petersburg. While on the way he made his escape from the guard, passed through Belgium, into England, and thence came to the United States. He arrived in this city about three weeks ago.

The following notes in the handwriting of the unfortunate man, was found in his room.

Savannah, April 2d, 1856,
I am tired of life. I am here as a stranger. – Could not find any employment, and my money was all gone, and so I resolved to commit suicide.

I fought in Europe against despotism, lost everything I possessed. No bullet could find me in the battles, and here in a Republican country I am obliged to shoot myself.

Dear Charles, you are my only friend. Farewell forever. If there is another world, there we will see one the other again.

The cause that I don't sign my name is because I don't want my parents to know that I am dead. It would kill my mother. XXX X Arvery Reg Pinsk,
Remember me.

Since the above was in type, we learn that Mr. Dombriski died at 10 ½ last night.
Savannah Daily Republican. March 3, 1856.

The Pulaski House. – *The Milledgeville Federal Union* says: “In a recent visit to Savannah we stopped several days at the Pulaski House, and feel it our duty to the traveling public to bear testimony to the comforts of that well ordered Hotel. Having ladies in company, we speak particularly of that part of the



TEMPER OF THE TIMES. Continues at the end of the newsletter.

GREEN-MELDRIM HOUSE CALENDAR

April 2026

- Thursday, April 2 at 2:30 p.m.** – SCAD Class/Christine Neal – 20p
- Tuesday, April 7 p.m.** – Hurricane Training/Cultural Sites (Jennifer to attend)
- Wednesday, April 8 all day** – Chatham County Hurricane Conference (Jennifer to attend)
- 4 p.m. – **GMH/SJ Combo Tour**
- Saturday, April 11 at 8 a.m.** – *Early Bird's Historic House and Urban Landscape Walking Tour*
- Monday, April 13 at 4:30 p.m.** – *Teatime at the Meldrims* – World Premier!
- Tuesday, April 14 at 8:30 a.m.** – GMH/SJ Combo Tour/Bayou Bend Group
- 5:30 p.m. Social/6 p.m. Program - *The Secret Language of Flowers in Victorian England/* Speaker: **Emi Higashiyama**
- Wednesday, April 15 at 11 a.m.** – SCAD/Hidden History/Holly Goldstein – 15p
4 p.m. - **GMH/SJ Combo Tour**
- Thursday, April 16 at 6 p.m.** – **Music in Bloom/Savannah Voice Festival**
- Friday, April 17 at 9:15 a.m.** – Private Tour for 4 (Tru Helms)
- Saturday, April 18 at 8 a.m.** - **Early Bird's Historic House and Urban Landscape Walking Tour**
- All day to follow - House closed for a SJ's event
- Monday, April 20 at 10:30 a.m.** – Road Scholars/Civil War
5:30 p.m. – Onward Travel – Madeira-themed tour – waiting for confirmation
- Tuesday, April 21 at 9 a.m.** – Private Tour (Raleigh Marcell)

Wednesday, April 22 - GMH/SJ

Combo Tour

- Friday, April 24** – Event 4 to 10 p.m.
- Saturday, April 25 - - Early Bird's Historic House and Urban Landscape Walking Tour**
- Monday, April 27 at 4:30 p.m.** – *Teatime at the Meldrims*
- Tuesday, April 28 from 4:30 to 10 p.m.** – Event/Desoto
- Wednesday, April 29 at 4 p.m.** – SJ event (last tour may be at 3 p.m.)

TOURS NEEDING ASSISTANCE:

- Thursday, April 2 at 2:30–** SCAD Class/Christine Neal – 20p
- Wednesday, April 15 at 11 a.m.** – SCAD/Hidden History/Holly Goldstein – 15p (Karen M)
- Friday, April 17 at 9:15 a.m.** – Private Tour for 4 (Tru Helms)
- Monday, April 20 at 10:30 a.m.** – Road Scholars/Civil War (John S., Rob S.)
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HOLD ON TO YOUR HAT! IT IS BUSY SEASON!

GMH EXCLUSIVE PROGRAMS APRIL:

GMH volunteers are essential salespeople to the success of these in-house programs. Please let your visitors know about them and that the programs amplify and expand upon what in on daily tours. We want the programs to find an audience. Please help us do that!

WHAT: **Combination Green-Meldrim House and St. John's Church Tour with Refreshment on the Porch**



WHEN: Wednesdays in April and May only - April 8, 15, 22, (29 cancelled); May 6, 13, 20, 27 at 4 p.m.
PRICE: \$26.50. Limited attendance. Reservation requested.

Both the Church and House are in the Gothic Revival style, offering a study in mid-nineteenth century architecture, urban planning and aesthetics. The Combo Tour will focus on how their uses and interiors have changed and been adapted over the years. Following the tour, refreshments will be served “a la tea party style.” Patrons will enjoy local favorites on the porch overlooking Madison Square. The ninety-minute experience will be delivered by the GMH expert docents.

WHAT: Early Bird's Heart of the Historic District Walking Tour

WHEN: Saturday mornings in April and May [April 11, 18, 25] at 8 a.m.; 90-minute walk.

WHERE: To begin and end at Green-Meldrim House on Madison Square, Savannah's Historic Landmark District.

PRICE: \$26.50. Reservations requested. Walk-ins welcome.

Step into spring with a guided morning walk through Savannah's most beautiful architecture. Led by the GMH Director, this tour explores

historic buildings, gardens, and stories of preservation that continue to shape the city. The experience begins and ends at the Green-Meldrim House and concludes with coffee and treats on the porch overlooking the parterre garden.

New!



WHAT: *Teatime at the Meldrims*

WHEN: Mondays in April and May - April 13, 27; May 11, 18, 25 at 4:30 p.m.

PRICE: \$22.50. Reservations requested.

Experience an early 20th Century tea with friends of the Meldrim family. Discuss the events of the day, enjoy convivial conversation – all over a relaxing cup of tea and delicious treats! Living history, extraordinary house!

Performer/Volunteers– **Jamie Credle, Molly Hall, Lisa Holbert, Jennifer McCarthy, Jan Vach, and Jill Wert** will don their shirtwaists and tunic dresses for a “pretend”

1910 afternoon tea as friends of Mrs. Francis Meldrim. They are excited for you to join them for tea and talk!



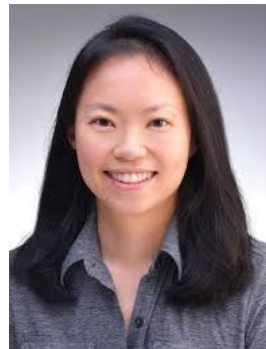
PARTNER PROGRAMS
VICTORIAN SOCIETY IN AMERICA – SAVANNAH CHAPTER

WHAT/LECTURE: **The Secret Language of Flowers in Victorian England** With **Emi Higashiyama**
WHEN: Tuesday, April 14 - Social at 5:30; Lecture at 6

PRICE: Free to GMH Friends and VSA/Savannah Chapter members. \$10 to the general public.

Beneath the corsets and calling cards of Victorian society was a quieter language which was spoken in flowers. From medieval herb bundles to carefully arranged tussie-mussies, blooms carried meanings that etiquette would not allow. This talk explores floriography, where a rose, a sprig of lavender, or forget-me-nots could convey love, warning, or even rebellion.

Many of us know Emi as a community volunteer while attending SCAD.



Today she is a historian and freelance writer focusing on the intersection of architecture and identity. She contributes to *The Metropole*, the official blog of the Urban History Association, with essays covering civil engineering, economics, and social history. She is also a review essayist for the *Journal of Urban History*. And, she likes flowers . . . a lot.

SAVANNAH VOICE FESTIVAL: SALON SERIES PARTNERSHIP
WHAT/SOCIAL/CONCERT/ DINNER: **Music in Bloom** with alumni artists **Angela De Venuto,**

soprano, **Leo Radosavljevic,** baritone
WHEN: Thursday, April 16 at 6 p.m.
Price: **\$95** <https://vivenu.com/seller/savannah-voice-festival-lrla>
Wine Reception, Concert, Dinner Buffet.

Spring is in the air as we celebrate the beauty of the Earth through song. Come for the voices, stay for the fresh and fabulous buffet. *Music in Bloom* spotlights couple **Angela De Venuto** and **Leo Radosavljevic** ushering us into spring with music from around the globe, with **Peiwen Chen** at the piano.

Sponsor: Brenda Kemworthy in memory of Brian Kemworthy.

SHOP NEWS:

- **Spotlight on shop merchandise:** See the beautiful floral cotton/modal scarves.
- **Coming soon:** A colorful ornament of the church.
- **Thank you, Leslie:** Volunteer **Leslie Larson** has given the shop a new look with her keen design skills.
- **See *Southern Pecan Praline.*** Our friend and volunteer **Brady Rupard**, who will graduate from SCAD in May, has begun a start-up business at the Green-Meldrim House with the sale of his homemade pralines. Know he has a notable flare for Southern cooking and foodways. His praline recipe is a secret, but he shares that it is a beloved family receipt. Come by and try them. He is happy to take individual orders.



DOCENT NEWS:

- **Think seriously about the length of your tour:** My husband used to tell me, “Nobody ever complained about a speech being too short.” The same could be said for a tour. Our guests are here in an international tourist destination with multiple places to see and things to do. Monopolizing them on an overly long tour means they cannot do everything they planned to do in this fantastic city. At the longest – the very longest – the first floor should take 25 minutes and the second floor should take 25 minutes. Though you may want to share everything you know, put yourself in our guests’ shoes. You can do it! You can craft a tour for brevity and quality.

- **Sharing the story:** Thank you to John Ward for his March 12 presentation on *Shopping in New York for a Savannah House, 1850-55*. It was heartening to see so many docents attend and to know they are eager for material to enlighten our visitors.

- **Busy season:** Thank you to docents, greeters, and shop people during this time. It is terrific to see everyone work together.

YOUTH GUIDE NEWS:

Summer Youth Guide Training – The GMH will offer summer tour guide training to high school students on Monday evenings in June and July. If you know of a young person interested in learning the GMH story and how to present it to the public, please let Jamie or Jennifer know.

COLLEGE INTERNSHIP:

The GMH will put out the call in April for summer college interns. Last summer the house had four willing students. Though the GMH cannot offer payment, it provides terrific

experiences at a historic house and National Historic Landmark. Jennifer McCarthy manages the program. Let her know if you are aware of a college student interested in a project and wishing to get experience at the GMH.

IN CASE YOU DIDN'T ALREADY KNOW . . .

HOW THEY LIT THE DOME

- **Accessed the attic from the back porch** (This is the current supposition.).
- **Lifted the oculus to allow air movement.**
- **Opened gas valve.**
- **Lit the gas valve**
- **Gas flowing through the gas line lit the nozzles.**
- **Closed gas valve to terminate gas flow which extinguished nozzles.**

(Provided by Leslie Larson, who hears lot of things while manning the shop)



Gas nozzle extending from the ring of gas jets to the attic side of the dome.

Photo taken during dome repairs. Fall 2025.

WORTH MENTIONING.

- **Keepers/GHM Leaders:** Dan Willoughby has accepted the invitation to be a **Keeper of Historic Green-Meldrim House**. Thanks, Dan. You are a keeper.

- **SAAW:** **Savannah Architecture and Antiques Weekend** was a spectacle in the best way possible. The three-day event, March 5 through 7,

which the GMH and Andrew Low House benefit, saw a sell-out crowd for the gala at the GMH.

For the event, an auction, coordinated by **Amanda**



India Hicks

Everard, was set up in the North Drawing while the **Sapphire Bullets of Pure Love** band performed in the South Parlor. The **Elegant Eight**, Saint John’s culinary mavens, provided the delicious heavy hors d’oeuvres. One remarked it was the largest event they had catered. They also created the centerpieces and mantle decorations of orchids, moss and palm fronds. The crowd was smartly dressed many in sequins and strappy shoes as they waited for **India Hicks**, the headliner/designer, to arrive. The granddaughter of Lord Mountbatten of Burma arrived in monochrome blonde pants and top. She was gracious and jolly. It was fun to have her here. It was equally fun to have so many of the younger set in the house. A group of 30 or so Young Dames in town for fellowship enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Thanks to the SAAW committee led by **Mary Blackburn** and **Susie Meyers** to putting together a stellar event weekend.

- **We did a Tea:** The GMH folks inserted ourselves into the SAAW mix by offering to do an early morning “English tea” on Saturday morning following the gala. It turned out remarkably well. Raleigh Marcell got up and into the house at 6:30 a.m. to



Victoria Sponge!

bles and chairs after he had mopped the entire first floor. In the early morning volunteers showed up to place beautiful tablecloths donated (and ironed) by **Leslie Larson**. **Sue Portner** came to help and to appreciate all things tea. **Linda LeFurgy** and **Meg Clemm** brought beautiful tea equipment which they displayed and discussed in the Dining Room following Jamie's PowerPoint on *Charles Green and Tea* in the Children's Parlor. Meg brought tea sandwiches which she made with a friend the day before. **Anne Martell** made scones and poured tea. And, **Linda Flanagan** arrived with the Victoria sponge! It was the centerpiece of the table. **Jennifer McCarthy** made it all work – helping where help was needed and looking fab in her fascinator. Along with the outstanding tour of the house with **Ron Baker** and **Sofia Allman**, the highlight for guests was the actual tea and the opportunity to relax and sip in the South Parlor. About 20 SAAW weekend people attended just before India Hicks' lecture on Saturday at 11:30. There was so food left over that we shared some with lucky tourists who got to see the house and load up on petit fours, tarts, sponge and scone – plus

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tea. It was a piece of serendipity for them. It was a delight to see groups linger and visit. All this occurred just before **Martie Thomas's** funeral. She would have approved! If you can think of a way to market and get an audience for a similar tea, let Jamie or Jennifer know. We did once so we can do it again.

- **Can't wait until January:** One of the best things about January is when our volunteer extraordinaire, **Ron Baker**, arrives for a 2-month visit. He has done this for the past three years and we hope it continues indefinitely. He gives tours, works programs, provides input! In March he returned to Kansas.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Name: Sue Portner

GMH: What did you do before you came to Savannah?

SP: Before I came to Savannah, I was a School Nurse in a very small town in South Eastern Colorado. The school only had 82 students from preschool to high school. Many of the students were not accepted in other schools so we had the Best of the School Population.

GMH: How long have you been involved with the GMH?

SP: I have been volunteering for 1 ½ years

GMH: Something interesting you would like the GMH folks to know about you:

SP: I love the Outdoors, walking my dog, gardening, and hiking with my adult children. I love to sew and dance in the kitchen with myself.

What do you do at the GMH?

SP: I manage the door at the GMH.

What do you like best about the GMH?

SP: The best part of the GMH is the people I get to volunteer with, but also the guests that come to the house from all over the country and the world. Its so rewarding to meet so many people and hear about their adventures while they are traveling.

GMH: Do you have any funny or interesting stories to share about your involvement with the GMH?

SP: I like coming to help for events with other volunteers. We enjoy the preparation and even the clean up. It's been a great way to meet people and make new friends.

GMH: What are your hopes and dreams for the GMH?

SP: My hope for the GMH is that it keeps the people it has running the house happy and here, as well as, attracting visitors and creating events that bring people together to socialize and enjoy each other's company.



A LOOK AT THE GREEN-MELDRIM HOUSE GUEST REGISTER.

During the month of March 2026, the Green-Meldrim House saw visitors from all over the United States and the world. An international guest from Devon, England signed the book. Interesting hometown names include Aromas, CA; Longmont, CO; Milton, DE; Fort Pierce, FL; Milan, IL; Shippshewana, IN; Cedar Rapids, IA Shaw-

nee, KS; Covington, KY; Portland, ME; Sidney, ME; Saginaw, MI; Winona, MN; Fargo, ND; Newport, NH; Edon, OH; Lancaster, OH; Media, PA; McKinney, TX; George, UT; Berlin, VT; Cedar Hill, VT; Oak Harbor, WA; Sturgeon Bay, WI.

How they heard about us: Internet, *Visited once before – 10 years ago*, tour, tour trolley, website, walking tour with Savanna, Eddie – Old Trolley Tour, Bard & Juliana Genteel Tour, online, Savannah friends, *Lynne's son/my brother told us!*, social media, stumbled upon it, from walking tour guide, from Shelia collectable houses, friend's recommendation, from map, docent at Coastal Georgia Botanical Garden, Bonnie Blue Tours, 40 Acres and a Mule Tour, history buff, live here, AI, concierge at Hyatt, researching historic houses, wanted to see where Sherman stayed, etc.

Comments: *Wow. More fabulous than we remembered! Stunning! Great House with fascinating story! 10/10. Beautiful House to spend my birthday touring. 5 stars. Wonderful in-depth tour. Molly was extraordinary! Well done – very informative. Beautiful details and history. Love the details – the tile, marble, chandeliers. Beautiful – history wins the day! Beautiful property – delightful staff. Lovely. Gorgeous – so full of history! John was awesome. Best house to tour in Savannah. Elizabeth did a great job! Loved the tour. Love the cupola. Amazing! Fantastic guide!*

TIDBITS ABOUT THE MELDRIM GIRLS

The GMH new afterhours program, **Teatime at the Meldrims**, focuses on an afternoon tea among friends and acquaintances of Mrs. Meldrim in spring 1912. This was a “big news” time with discussions about the sinking of the Titanic, the rumblings of women’s suffrage, and the founding of the Girl Scouts. Other the topics around the GMH table will involve the house’s residents – Judge and Mrs. Meldrim and their family. To help us understand the Meldrims, we rely on materials compiled by one of our summer 2025 interns, April Moore. She work centered on the youth and young adulthood of **the Meldrim girls** as revealed in newspaper research. “Back in the day” local newspapers offered social columns providing information on the comings and goings of elite community members. Because Mrs. Meldrim was from Augusta, the family is mentioned frequently in the newspaper there. The old adage that a lady’s name should only appeared in the paper three times – when she was born, married and when she died - did not apply to the Meldrim women and girls. The below of bidbits you may find interesting.

In 1912 Judge and Mrs. Meldrim had four grown children and three grandchildren. They had lost their only son six years prior.

Caroline Louise Meldrim “Carrie Lou” – 1882-1974 - age 30

Frances Casey Meldrim Jones – 1883-1965 – age 29

Francis Noble Jones Luquer – 1905-1996 (age 7)

Noble Wimberly Jones – 1908-1986 – (age 4)

Caroline Noble Jones Wright - 1911-2006 (age 1)

Ralph Meldrim Jones – MIA

Phillipines - 1914-1940

George Fenwick W. 1916-2010

Ralph Meldrim – 1885-1906. Died from typhoid fever.

Sophie Meldrim Shonnard – 1888-1980 – age 24

Jane Meldrim Hewett – 1889-1990 – age 23

Caroline, Ralph, and Frances attended a euchre* party hosted by Mr. A.R. Lawton Jr. and Frances won the first prize of a gauze fan.

*Euchre is a “trick taking” card game. *Savannah Morning News*, July 21, 1901.

Caroline and Frances attended Lucy Cobb Institute (woman’s component – UGA) 1899-1900.

Students, or “Lucies,” in the collegiate track studied sciences (including chemistry and **physics**), higher mathematics (algebra, geometry, trigonometry), logic, rhetoric, languages, history, and **literature**.

Along with academics, . . . faculty members emphasized the importance of a modest appearance and proper manners and etiquette. Students were prohibited from venturing beyond the school’s front yard unchaperoned, entertaining male visitors, attending parties in town, dancing, and wearing





makeup or short skirts. The combination of academic rigor with education in gentility, their teachers believed, prepared students for both private and public life. (**New Georgia Encyclopedia**.)

Carrie Lou and “Fannie” took part in the Lucy Cobb commencement, as well as performing in a production of *The Merchant of Venice* which was a major component of the program. The annual literary address was given by Hon. P. W. Meldrim. **Savannah Morning News**. May 29, 1900.

Carrie Lou and Fannie were amongst the dancers at Tybee on Tuesday. Miss Miriam Dent entertained Saturday night and Ralph and Fannie were present.

Mr. A. R. Lawton Jr, gave a lunch party Saturday afternoon, Ralph, Fannie, and Carrie Lou were in attendance.
Savannah Morning News. July 14, 1901.

Popular Drawings Done in Life at Catholic Library Hall on March 3, 1902, Gibson Pictures. *Miss Carrie Lou was in the first tableau titled “The Night Before Her Wedding! - For She’s a Jolly Good Fellow” dressed in a pretty evening gown with white arms outstretched and glasses uplifted for the toast. Carrie Lou was also in a staging of “The Old Tune” as an ideal old-fashioned girl in the shadow. She also took part in the staging of “What It Leads To”.*
Savannah Morning News., March 04, 1902.

Frannie and Carrie Lou met Miss Annie Poe of Baltimore informally at tea at Miss Marion Hammond’s on March 3.
Savannah Morning News., March 4, 1902

Production of “**Powhatan**” at theater in Savannah: *Carrie Lou and Fannie were cast as Indian girls in the ensemble. Sophie was a forest spirit in a dance in the production. Janie Meldrim went to Mr. Shotter’s garden party at Greenwich House. Mrs. Meldrim, Miss Meldrim, and Miss Frances Meldrim went to a reception held by Miss Maria Minis in honor of Mrs. Charles Henry of New York.*

Savannah Morning News. April 03, 1902.

At the drill yesterday afternoon, Mrs. P. W. Meldrim chaperoned a party of young ladies, who were present by invitation of Col. Meldrim and were afterwards entertained by the colonel at supper at the camp. Among his guests were Miss Caroline Meldrim, Miss Frances Meldrim, Miss Mary Wayne, Miss Annie Maclean, Miss Marion Maclean, Miss Jeanie Haines, Miss Cornelia Maclean, and Miss Sophie Meldrim. The Misses Maclean, and the Misses Meldrim and Miss Wayne drove out to the drill with Mr. John M. Egan, who was also Col. Meldrim’s guest at supper.

Savannah Morning News. July 26, 1903.

*Wednesday at noon the marriage of Miss Francis Meldrim will take place to Mr. Jones at Christ Church. The ceremony will be followed by a reception at the house of the bride’s parents, Col. and Mrs. Meldrim. Mr. G. Noble Jones entertained all members of his wedding party, and a few other friends with an **al fresco** tea at his country place, Avon Hall, White Bluff, yesterday afternoon. The guests were driven out in drags, leaving town about 4 o’clock, and, after a most charming afternoon and a delightful supper, they returned home by moonlight. In the party were Mr. and Mrs. J. A.P. Chrisfield, Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Walthour, Miss France Meldrim, Miss Caroline Meldrim, Miss Marion Maclean, Miss Cornelia Maclean, Miss Anne Armstrong, Miss Elfrida De Renne, Miss Lily Anderson, Miss Mary Wayne, Miss Isabel Shotter, Miss Mary*

Savage Jones, Mr. J.L. Butterfield of St. Louis, Mr. Richard Boardman of New York, Mr. Wymberley J. De Renne, Mr. Camille Thesmar, Mr. Jack Nesbit, Mr. E.E.C. Habersham, Mr. Frank M. Chisholm, Mr. Clarence Anderson, Mr. Louis Morgan, Mr. John Hammond, Mr. Fred Saussy, Mr. Shelby Myrick, Mr. Neyle Simkins, and Mr. Jones.
Savannah Morning News. April 3, 1904.

*Miss Sophie Meldrim will attend **Mme. Le Febvre’s school*** in Baltimore next winter.*
Savannah Morning News. July 22, 1904.

(*Nina Pape and Martha Berry the founder of Berry College also attended **Madame LeFebvre’s School**.)

*Miss Caroline Meldrim and Miss Sophie Meldrim will leave on Monday by sea for Boston, and will sail from there next Saturday on the steamship **Romantic** for an extended trip abroad. Mrs. W. D. Simkins and Miss Annie Cole Simpkins, who are planning a year of foreign travel, will also be passengers on the **Romantic**, and this congenial party of Savannahians will be joined at Naples by Miss Rita Cattaneo, of Rome, who will accompany them on a fortnight’s tour of Southern Italy. The Misses Meldrim will later join Miss Jane Meldrim, who will study this winter in Switzerland. Miss Simkins and Miss Sophie Meldrim are two of the next season’s most attractive debutantes/ - Savannah Press.*

Atlanta Georgian. October 22, 1906

Sophie makes her debuts in 1907.

Miss Annie Lee McKenzie entertained at a bridge party in honor of Miss Jane Meldrim of Savannah, who was the guest of Miss Anne Orme. 12 girls were invited to meet the charming visitor and a delicious luncheon was served at the conclusion of an interesting game, played in the drawing room which was bright with roses. Miss Meldrim wore a suit

of white cloth and a lingerie hat trimmed with blue roses.

Miss Sarah Rawson gave a theater party last night at the Orpheum for Miss Meldrim and for Miss Nell Hodgson of Athens, who is visiting Dr. and Mrs. Fred Hodgson, the party occupied three boxes. Miss Orme will give a small dance tonight for Miss Meldrim. Miss Emily Winship will give an automobile party Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Alex W. Smith will entertain at cards Friday. Miss Meldrim will spend the weekend with Miss Harriett Calhoun, and they will be the charming guests of the A.T.O dance Friday night. On Saturday afternoon, Miss Nellie Kiser Stewart will give a box party at the Orpheum, and it is possible that Miss Meldrim will remain over next week for the graduation exercises of Washington seminary next Wednesday night at the Grand Exchange.

Augusta Daily Herald. May 12, 1909.

Announcement that Jane will debut next winter.

Augusta Daily Herald. July 19, 1909.

The Savannah Press says: Miss Sophie Meldrim will sail on the 21st of this month with Mrs. Burton Harrison of Washington, D.C. for England and they will spend the rest of the season in London, where Miss Meldrim will be presented at court in June. They will spend July in England, going over to the continent for the late summer and returning to America about the middle of October. Mrs. Harrison has a house in London, where she is well known socially, having spent much of her life there. No girl in Savannah society is more generally and genuinely admired than Miss Meldrim. Her great beauty and wonderful personal charm have made her a belle wherever she has visited, and during her season in London and presentation at court, she will be prominent among the beautiful American girls across the water. Especial interest is felt in Miss Meldrim

by Augustans for despite the fact she is a Savannahian her mother and grandparents were Augustans and her frequent visits here have cemented the claim of friendships that are hers by right of inheritance.

Augusta Daily Herald. May 06, 1910.

Jane attended Georgia/Auburn game with Patience Barrow as sponsors favor of Georgia, there were two other young ladies in attendance labeled as for Auburn.

Athens Banner. November 26, 1910.

Sophie attended a soiree given by the Savannah Cotillion Club. She wore a lovely gown of white satin with an overdress of chiffon in American Beauty shade, the waist and lower part of skirt trimmed with gold.

Augusta Daily Herald., January 08, 1912

Miss Sophie Meldrim of Savannah, Ga., is among the Southern belles who will be a guest at the exclusive social functions of the month in Washington, and at the Junior Cotillion in New York. Miss Meldrim is one of the most beautiful young women in the South with mental attainments, brilliancy of conversation, and the little social graces which bespeak the cultured and winning woman. While in Washington Miss Meldrim will be the guest of Mrs. Burton Harrison.

Augusta Daily Herald. January 17, 1912.

Lovely Sophie Meldrim, who covered herself in glory at the recent production of "The Cottage in the Air," by Savannah's Dramatic Club, has thereby displayed another charm to the bewildering array with which she has won the title of the South's most widely known beauty during her short social career of almost two years. Last season Miss Meldrim had the time of her life in Washington and New York, while the guest of Mrs. John Hays Hammond. In "The Cottage in the Air" Miss Meldrim took the part of a lovely but capricious princess who ran

away from home and tried the experiment of living the life of an ordinary woman for two weeks, which was as long as "the princess" could stand the experiment! She was an ideal princess, with her pretty golden hair and her air of girlish dignity. Atlanta is expecting Miss Meldrim to be here opera week. She was in the city as the guest of Mrs. John D. Little for last year's opera season. It has been announced that the debutante sister of Miss Meldrim will also visit Atlanta soon, as the guest of Miss Harriett Calhoun. The two young women, Sophie and Jane, are as quaintly sweet and pretty as their names. They are the daughters of Colonel Peter Meldrim, one of the State's wealthiest and most prominent men.

Atlanta Georgian. April 20, 1913.

Jane was a bridesmaid to Miss Belle Battey of Savannah to Lt. Meade Wil-drick taking place June 4th in Christ Church at 9 o'clock in the evening.

Augusta Daily Herald. April 23, 1913.

Sophie and Jane are visiting North Carolina mountains, Asheville, with other prominent members of Georgia society.

Atlanta Georgian. April 27, 1913.

Jane passed her test for the Red Cross first aid examination as a Leader of the Girl Scout on July 5. She and others studied under Dr. Antonio J. Waring and Dr. Lawrence Lee, examination was oral and included a demonstration of respiration, bandaging, splints, etc. The leaders who passed are now getting ready to instruct the Girl Scouts in what they have learned.

EXTRA - **Atlanta Georgian.** July 06, 1913.

Jane at cotillion given by Savannah Cotillion Club, she wore a lovely dress of soft pale pink satin made with eight small ruffles trimmed with fish scale forming the skirt, and the bodice was formed of the broad satin girdle held on the shoulders with narrow straps. The event occurred on the Thursday evening prior to the publica-

tion.

Augusta Herald. January 24, 1915, Home Edition

Jane was a part of a suffragette play “*How the Vote Was One*” performed as a one act following a tableaux as a part of an evening of suffragette entertainment.

Atlanta Georgian. May 02, 1915.

Jane a bridesmaid to Miss Patience Barrow in her marriage to Mr. Lionel E. Drew in a June wedding on June 2 at 9 o'clock in the evening.

Athens Daily Herald. May 10, 1915.

Continuation: **Temper of the Times.** April 1856

house appropriated exclusively to them, and to those gentlemen accompanying them. The rooms are well furnished and kept in the neatest order, the servants are attentive and obliging, and the most complete order and discipline appears to pervade the whole establishment. By means of intimate connection between the two cities by a line of steamers, the Proprietor of the Pulaski House is now enabled to furnish his table every day with all the luxuries of the New York and Savannah markets. Persons visiting Savannah, if they wish to be pleasantly and comfortably situated, will do well to stop at the Pulaski House.”

Savannah Daily Republican. April 4, 1856.

We take pleasure in pressing upon the attention of our citizens the Fair of the **Catholic Ladies of Savannah**, to be opened at St. Andrew’s Hall this evening. The object of these worthy ladies it to procure means for the maintenance of a large number of orphan boys who were thrown upon their hands desolate and homeless by

the terrible epidemic of 1854. These children of misfortune have a claim upon every citizen, and we feel sure the opportunity to aid them that is now offered will not be allowed to pass unimproved. It is the cause of humanity, and let each contribute according to his ability, remembering that it is “bread cast upon the waters” which, in some form, will surely return to him “after many days.”

Savannah Daily Republican. April 5, 1856.

Accident. – An accident occurred at the Philadelphia steamship’s wharf last night which fortunately did not cause the death of any one, but was of a nature which might have proved extremely disastrous. The steamship **Keystone State** in coming in to her wharf struck heavily against the fender. The noise and crash of the timber frightened the horses of the different Hotel coaches and hacks, and with the sudden bound they all started off together. The only one which succeeded in getting away from the driver was the Pulaski House coach. The horses dashed furiously off and kept along under the bluff, without injury to anybody or anything, until they were stopped in the neighborhood of the Charleston wharf. The horses attached to the Marshall House coach started or rather attempted to go in another direction, but being run into by a hack heading up street, came to a stand without any damage beyond a slight collision. **Valentine Robinson**, the driver of the Pulaski House hack, was struck by the wheel of one of the omnibuses and was injured internally. Mr. R. was taken to the house of Mr. Gass, in West Broad street. – What the extent of his injuries were we were not able to ascertain.

Savannah Daily Republican. April 8, 1856.

Overboard. – Yesterday morning about 11 o’clock, a little boy about

fifteen month old, fell overboard, from the deck of the schooner Thomas Holcombe. Fortunately he was rescued from his perilous position before he floated far. The little fellow is the son of Capt. Smith of the Holcombe. His father has just left the dock when the accident occurred.

Savannah Daily Republican. April 10, 1856.

Ice Cream! Ice Cream!
Aspacia Mirault
RETURNS Thanks to the community for their kind patronage, and solicits the continuance of their favors. She will be ready to serve Ice Cream, for the season, commencing on Wednesday, at corner of Macon and Whitaker streets, in the rear of St. John's Church.
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Sergeant D. S. Wilson, of the Mounted Police, assisted by privates Wood, Middleton and Oliveria, and a number of the Foot Police, made a descent Monday night, upon a Sailor’s boarding house at the corner of East Broad and Bay streets, owned by one J. Fitzsimmons, which latter they had reason to believe had been engaged in piracy upon the vessels in port. Eleven sailors belonging to the ship *Elizabeth*, and who disappeared some two weeks ago, were found quietly stored away in the upper story of the building. These men had been decoyed off from the ship by the runners in the service of said Fitzsimmons. The whole party were arrested and taken to the barracks, to await a hearing before his Honor, this morning. Sergeant Wilson and his associates deserve credit for their vigilance and perseverance in ferreting out this den of offenders.

Savannah Daily Republican. April 30, 1856.



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