enemies." Thomas Wright of Solomon was one of the trustees of the county school in 1794. At the time that this gentleman became a Methodist they had no particular place of worship. Their first church in Centreville was a frame structure, erected on ground presented to them by Miss Elizabeth Nicholson, of "Chesterfield." This old homestead, "Chesterfield," was once presided over by the Claytons and more recently by Dr. James Bordley. It is now owned by Mrs. Newman.

Mr. Thomas Wright of Solomon, late in life, lived at "Guilford." He then married Miss Susan Keene, of Dorchester county, Md., by whom he had four children, Henry Ennolls Wright, Ann, Mary Tidmarsh and Susan.

Henry Ennolls Wright married his cousin, Charlotte Ann Pratt, by whom he had five children, Richard, Lemuel Purnell, Charlotte, Laura Virginia and Fanny.

Richard was lost at sea on his return from Rio, Brazil. Lemuel Purnell is still living the life of a bachelor and is yet a great admirer of the fair sex, always having a pretty speech for the girls. Although his locks are somewhat dashed with grey, he is full of romance and poetry, as the following lines will indicate :

"How often I think in my trim swallow tail
At parties when flowers, their fragrance inhale,
Of times when my head was a burden of cares,
And I danced with the mothers and all the young girls.

I look on the charms that their beauties unfold,
They 'seem' the same damsels, while I have grown old;
I feel like white winter, without a warm day,
'They' look like the roses that blossom in May.

But winter may look, with its shiver and chill,
Through the window at flowers that bloom on the sill;
And I may ask L——, with ringlets of jet,
If she will dance with me the next minuet.

I go to all parties, receptions, 'first-nights,'
I'm a 'merry old bird' in my 'fanciful' flight;
I may 'look' like old winter, a 'snowy old thing,'
But deep in my heart dwell the blossoms of Spring.

I "know" that I am not as old as I look,
My voice has no crack, my back has no crook;
Most happy I'd be if to L—— I could kneel,
And she'd treat me as one who's as young as I feel."