

OLD JOHN DAVIDSON HOUSE

About 3 or 4 Mi. NW of WHITESVILLE, GEORGIA

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OLD JOHN DAVIDSON HOUSE
Near Chipley, Harris County, Georgia
3 or 4 Mi. North of Whiteville

Owner: Davidson (Marshall of Municipal Court, Columbee, Georgia).

Date of Erection: Approximately 1845.

Architect & Builder:

Present Condition: Poor.

Number of Stories: Two and attic.

Materials of Construction: Foundation, brick (or stone) piers.

Wood construction throughout. Shingle roof.

Other Existing Records:

Additional Data: Mr. Davideon's grandfather wanted a house like the Fontaine house (located in Bealwood, now burned). He hired a slave from Fontaine's to get measurements. Went to the woods and selected trees, made out bill of lumber, had it eawed on grandfather's saw mill end kiln dried it. Every piece is heart pine, mortised, tenoned and pinned, no naile were used. He split the shinglee and dried them. The sills and girders are hewn and not eawed. The brick were made from the place.

The above historical information furnished by Mr. W. J. Davidson of Columbus.

The center two story porch has two solid wood colonne with pseudo Ionic caps supporting pediment. Gable roof. End chimneys. Balcony with wood balustrade over fanlight doorway. Also fanlight doorway opening on balcony. Paneled wainscoting on interior. House is one room deep with center hall. Ell and Courts in the rear. Ornate cornice.

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