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**27++/- ACRES**

**Blountsville, AL - GPS 33.62391, -86.50878**

Have you thought about owning and running a sustainable farm? Creating farm income right from the dirt which you live on? Well, there's some history here in Blountsville Alabama too. Blountsville was established in 1827 and was popular stop by westbound travelers after the end of the Creek War. Blountsville was the county seat until moving to Oneonta in 1889. Home + Land for sale with 27+/- Acres, cattle pond and multiple outbuildings. You could own it all and buy an additional 1 acre with a barn and 2nd house for additional family members. You have an old barn with cribs, and hay lofts. Large concrete block garage with 4 bays, concrete floors, power and natural gas. 2 Car Garage with She Shed. How about that hobby farm you wanted for cattle and maybe plow that large garden for income from the farm. The historical factor here is that this farm has been in family for over 100 years. Hidden beneath modern construction, an old home placed covered up that was presumed to have been built by James Hendricks after 1837. Now that part of the main home has 4 rooms and 1 bathroom and could be used for side business/office from the house or a really cool man cave. The Farmhouse built in 1990's with 5BR's 4BA's features Dining Room, Large Kitchen with Spacious Cabinets, Large Den, and 3 fireplaces. You got muscadine vines and plenty of room for that organic orchard or vineyard. 3 pasture fields totaling approximately in 12+/- Acres but will need additional cross fencing for living off the land. You even got room to build chicken coop. Be a great place to retire early and build memories while homesteading. This farm is about being self reliance. These barns are worth money. They're old and a real cool looking factor to see. How about that wedding venue for multiple streams of income. Multiple picture taking opportunities throughout the farm. There is a picture of the old home place with Good/Hathorn wedding party taking in 1896. Property is level for parking for events too. You're 20 minutes from Walmart in Oneonta. 10 Minutes from Spring Valley Beach Water park in Blountsville. If you really like adventures, you're 5 minutes from the locust fork river for a whitewater kayaking experience. Call or text chad 205-478-4974 for a home tour or the virtual tour.

Directions: From Cleveland, Alabama: Go Hwy 231 toward Blountsville veer right onto Hwy 79 toward Guntersville. After you pass maple drive. Property on the left before Co Rd 26.

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In 1874, when my husband's grandfather bought "HOMESTEAD" he re-built the kitchen and made a room connecting it to the main house. A stack chimney was built, affording a fireplace in each room. In 1894, a small room was built at one end of the front porch to be used for a kitchen, by a son and wife who wished to live with his mother.

Two 25 foot wells were dug for their water supply. A large barn was built with sheds on either side and a big open hallway in the center of the building. One shed housed a turning-lathe which was used to make their furniture; beds, wardrobes, tables and cabinets.

In 1961, we had finished most of the repairs that had to be done on "HOMESTEAD", and now we are living in a comfortable old home among the memories of the past.

In the home today still remains lots of the things that the pioneers of our family used, namely; beds, chairs, and cabinets made by the men of the family, woolen shalls and coverlet that were woven on hand-loom of thread that they had spun on a spinning wheel. Also, cotton spreads and towels made in the same way, knitted socks, and gloves that were made by the women. Also, the old iron cooking utensils, china dishes, knives, forks, foot-adze, frow, sausage mills, set of hand-made planes, rub-boards, feather-beds and pillows and lots more items from the past.

"HOMESTEAD" has a rich heritage of past history all wrapped up in its own self. It is a living image of by-gone days.....Myrtice.

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#### HATHORN---GOOD REUNION

The 142-year old "HOMESTEAD" resounded once more on Sunday, Aug. 12, 1956, with the voices, laughter and hello's of its people. The sleepy old house seemed to smile as the kin came tramping back through its doors, and the pitter-pat of little feet were felt upon its floors.

The lunch was spread on long tables underneath the spreading limbs of the old 56 year old magnolia tree and the kin, together with the friends, scattered over the lawn as they ate and talked. Never have I seen anymore visiting out of people. They enjoyed the fellowship as much as they did the wonderful food they had prepared.

Movies were made during lunch time, which will be shown next year in the afternoon, and other pictures of interest to the people. We had new visitors this time, and we missed some of the old ones who have passed on. Those who attended this year are as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Starnes, Misses Ethel and Viva Rosser, Earl Thomas, Mrs. Dicie Whitehead, Miss Opal Sherrer, Mr. and Mrs. Walteratta and Florence, Mr. and Mrs. L.Q. Flournoy, Mr. and Mrs. Roy McKenzie and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hathorn, Donald McPherson and his father.



The sleepers were of logs with one side hewed flat, on which the flooring was nailed. The framework was of 6 by 8 and 6 by 4 inch hewed timbers. The sills were made of pieces one foot square. The lumber for ceilings, walls and floors were sawed, tonged and grooved, then smoothed with hand planes and stones. Wooden pegs were used to hold the framework together and square nails for the ceiling, floors and walls.

The planks that are in the building range in width from 5 to 21 inches. The width of a plank was due to the size of the tree from which it was cut. Underneath the kitchen floor was a huge cellar, dug deep into the earth. This was used to store their meat, fruits and vegetables. You reached the cellar by a trap door which was in the center of the floor.

The yards around the house were ornamented with huge cedar trees for shade. The large yards were kept scrapped clean and swept with yard brooms. Dogwood bushes were tied together to make the brooms.

The family cooked on the fire in the kitchen fireplace and on the hearth. Iron skillets, or spiders, as they were called then, kettles, pots and ovens were the main utensils. The 9-inch, deep oven and the skillets had three, one and one half inch legs and lids with turned up edges. Hot coals were placed underneath and on top of the vessels for heat to cook the food.

The pioneer people supplied most of their needs: They cut timber for fuel and lumber, in the adjoining forest, raised hogs for meat and shortening, sheep for wool to card and spin into clothing, geese to furnish them with fluffy feathers for bedding, chickens for meat and eggs, corn for bread and feed for stock, wheat for flour, broomcorn for housebrooms, bees for honey, cows for milk and butter, steers for beef, and lye was made from the ashes that came from the wood fires mixed with meat scraps, thus making their soap.

The clothing was laundered at the "wash-place", which consisted of wooden tubs and a bench, a large iron pot which stood on three long legs and a battling block. The block was about 3 feet high and a diameter of 2 feet. It was really a tree trunk that stood on one end. The soapy clothes were taken from the pot, placed upon the block and battled with a battling-stick to clean them. The stick or paddle was about 4 inches wide for a foot or more, then it was shapped into a 3-foot handle. The water they used for laundry was rain water. Wooden kegs and tubs were placed under the eaves of the house to catch the water as it ran off the housetop. Water used for cooking and drinking was brought from a nearby spring.

Four rooms of this house have weathered the winters, summers, and storms through the years since it was built. The house is now wearing its 7th roof; third weatherboarding, seeing through its third set of windows, gracefully sending its curling smoke upward through its original pinkstone chimneys and wearing its original floors, walls and ceilings. The masses of kin are still opening and closing some of the original wide hand-made doors, which are hung with hand-wrought 3-foot iron hinges that fit over 6-inch iron pegs, which are driven into the door facings.



## HATHORN HOMESTEAD 1837

G.L.Hathorn, my husband, and I bought "HOMESTEAD" in 1946. It has been in his family since 1874. It was in great need of repair and we began to restore it to its original state. Most of its furniture had been sold to antique hunters who had influenced my husband's aged parents to sell. We saved the remaining possessions, and the house for a summer home.

Every weekend I would rummage through the house and see what I could find of interest. I found several old trunks, some of which were battered and almost torn apart. These had made the trip with the family across the ocean from England by boat; thence through Virginia by ox-wagon, across the state of Tennessee, and almost across Alabama before the family settled in "HOMESTEAD".

In these trunks I found many interesting items: Deeds to the home; letters that were written by members of the family with dates as far back as 1855; locks of hair well preserved, from the heads of some of the family who were born in the late 1700's; also clothes that dated back before the turn of the 20th century.

I found so much history of the family and data in the papers and letters that I decided to record it by writing a book so that all the kin could know about their ancestors. I would like to quote a paragraph from that book, "David H. Good History 1400-1953": "This book has been written from material that I was able to find and put together. I hope you get as much joy out of reading it, as I received from writing the little book. To reconstruct lives of people that have gone on many years before, from old letters; bits of paper with only an address, a faded postage stamp, bits of cloth from the shrouds of departed loved ones, locks of hair, faded photographs, memory of words spoken by some of the past generations, was not an easy chore. I learned the characteristics of those of whom I wrote, and now it seems as if I had always known them".

In 1837, as is recorded in Tract Plat Book No. One, of Blount Co. Alabama James Hendricks entered the land from the United State Government, on which "HOMESTEAD" stands. It is in Section 20 Township Eleven Range North one East. I presume Mr. Hendricks built the house soon after he bought the land.

The original buildings consisted of the main house and a separate kitchen. There was a front porch with banisters across the two 12 foot high front rooms. The two small rooms just behind the large ones, had 7 foot ceilings. A huge chimney stood at each end of the house, of hand hewed pink sandstones. The chimneys led from fireplaces where the big wood fires were built for heating the four rooms. The mantles above the fireplaces, upon which candles and lamps sat were about 5ft. above the floor.

The kitchen stood about 15 feet from the main house with a large chimney at one end. The fireplace was about 5 feet wide and was graced by a 7 foot by 5 foot hearth made of a solid stone.

"HOMESTEAD" was built out of the virgin pines that grew on the land.






WEDDING DAY OF JOHN S. HATHORN AND TENNESSEE GOOD, JANUARY 6, 1896

Back row-left to right: J. M. Beal, G. M. Beal (Charlie), J. M. Hathorn, Luther Good, John McAbee, Sallie Hendricks McAbee, Dr. J. M. Moore, J. J. Good (Uncle Jim), Frank Allgood, Lizzie (Good Harris), W. R. Beal (Bob Robert-Preecher), J. S. Hathorn (Groom), Tennessee Good Hathorn (Bride), Mary Broyles Good (Grandma Good), Susanna Smith, Della Hathorn Martin Cook, Jurelia Smith, Fannie Beal, Cassie Beal, Etta Hathorn Lewis, Jennie Beal, and Annie Hathorn Phillips. Front row - left to right: Jesse C. Good, Grover Green, Zetella Good Bowers.



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