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**The SRVGS meeting will be held
Monday night, January 20, 2020
7 pm at the Community Clubhouse
519 Howell Street, Hartwell, Georgia.**

**Deaths and Marriages Abstracted from
The Hartwell Sun, Hartwell, Georgia**

Issue: Friday, 26 Jun 1903

Query

From Patricia Harper Vaughn

HARPER

I am looking for the death date and burial place of my Great Grandfather, **Thomas Matthew Harper**. He was born 1871 in Hart County. He married **Minnie Viola Locke** in Hart County on 25 Nov 1894. They had two children, Thomas Denver (my grandfather) born 1896 and Willie Mae born 1898.

I believe he may have died between 1900 and 1902.

They are listed in the 1900 census in Hart County, McCurry District.

Mathew Harper age 28

Minnie Harper age 31

Denver Harper age 4

Willie M Harper age 1

By 1910, Minnie had married J. R. Sims. She is buried in Thomaston, GA.

Thomas Matthew Harper is listed in the Will of his father as deceased.

Thomas Matthew Harper was the son of James Willis Harper (1840-1914) and Susan Frances Adams Harper (1838-1908). They are buried in the Bethesda Methodist Church Cemetery.

Thank you,

Patricia Harper Vaughn

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CRAFT, Steve : Died 17 Jun 1903 at his home in lower Hart County. He was 69 years old and one of our best and most industrious colored citizens. He had many friends among our people.

PAGE, Daniel : Died 28 Jun 1903. He was the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Page. He had been ill for several days. The funeral was conducted at the residence the next day by Rev. T. M. Galphin and burial was in the Hartwell Cemetery.

SIMPSON, Marvin: Died on Saturday evening last at his home in Rockmart, GA, from an accidental pistol discharge. He was at one time a student of the Hartwell Institute.

WHITE, Reader Ethel : Died 21 May 1902. She was the infant daughter of Frank and Cassie White. She was born 17 Oct 1901. The child was sick for about one week. ["In Memoriam" written by M. J. Lewis.

Marriages

Dr. Atherton Seidell and Martha Adele Hooper were married on 17 Jun 1903 in Washington, D. C. He is the youngest son of Colonel and Mrs. C. W. Seidell of Atlanta. Miss Hooper is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Hooper. They will be making their home in Washington D. C.

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McAFEE, Mary (col): Died Tuesday evening from Heart Disease. She was the cook for Prof. M. L. Parker, a good woman and a faithful servant. She had many friends among both white and colored people. [Item in "Sun Rays" column.]

